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22 Million People Work For Victory In All Services

LONDON, May 21.

Twenty-two million people between the ages of 14 and 65 are now employed in the armed forces, civil defence and industry. This was disclosed by the Labour Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, in the House of Commons to-day. Stating that these people came from an available population in the ages concerned of 33,300,000, Mr. Bevin added: "No country in the history of the world has mobilised its man-power to such a high point as we have done during this war. The man-power of this country is mobilised not to such a point that the great test between now and the end of the war is not the difference between the British and German man-power, but the difference between British and German managerial ability."

INVESTIGATION OF CASES

Going on to deal with the investigation of cases Mr. Bevin said that proceedings that had been taken represented one worker per 10,000 covered by the order. Imprisonment had been effected in one per 50,000. Three women had been imprisoned for offences under the order and twelve imprisoned for refusing to obey direction. Three employers had been prosecuted under the order and 23 under the restriction of engagements order. None had been imprisoned, but drastic steps had been taken to deal with employers in certain cases."—

Mr. Bevin said there were six and a half million people under the essential works order. There will soon be nearly eight million because he was being pressed by employers and employed to bring more and more under the order. Mr. Bevin said the figure of 22 million did not take into account part-time workers, married women with domestic responsibilities, thousands of whom were taking in lodgers and evacuees and giving as much service to the State as if they were working in factories, students over fourteen and many thousands giving voluntary unpaid service like the Women's Volunteer Service and people not capable of work. "No country in the history of the world has had its man-power mobilised to such a high point". Mr. Bevin concluded. —Reuter.

Release Of Man Power From Banks

LONDON, May 21.

A new step to secure the release of man-power from financial institutions were announced to-day. The Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Kingsley Wood in a written Parliamentary answer intimated that he had appointed a Committee of experts under the chairmanship of Lord Kennett to report what measures can be taken either by concentration or otherwise to secure the greatest possible release of man-power from banks, insurance companies, investment trusts, stockbrokers and other financial concerns.—Reuter.

"Lafayette" Can Be Salvaged

WASHINGTON, May 21.

The steamship "Lafayette", formerly the French liner 'Normandia', can be salvaged, the United States Secretary for the Navy, Colonel Knox, reported to President Roosevelt to-day.

Col. Knox was accompanied to the White House by Commander William A. Sullivan who has been directing navy investigation to determine whether the giant ship which was gutted by fire in new York only five days after being commissioned as United States Navy Auxiliary, could be saved.—Reuter.

U. S. Mission Members Arrive At Karachi

KARACHI, May 21.

Dr. Henry Grady and three other members of the American Technical Mission to India have arrived here from Bombay. Another member Mr. Simmering is already here. The party is staying at Government House.—A.P.

DESPERATE NAZI TACTICS FAIL

Battle Of Kharkov Enters New Stage

SOVIET GUNNERS SMASH UP "TANK PINCERS"

German Garrisons Trapped In Fortified Centres

LONDON, May 21.

General Timoshenko's attack is still making some progress, particularly on the northern part of the Kharkov front, although the progress is not very rapid which, in view of the magnitude of the conflict, is only to be expected, it is stated in authoritative London quarters today.

NON-STOP BATTLES

VICHY, May 21.

According to a Stockholm report the Russians are now astride a stretch of the southern railway in Crimea between Kharkov and Lozovaya. The report adds that Russians control a large portion of the Kharkov-Lozovaya railway link. The Kharkov-Crimea Railway feeds Field Marshal von Bock's Southern and Crimea Armies

It says that the Kharkov battle now seems to be approaching the culminating point. All along the 125 miles front from Bielgorod to Lozovaya tens of thousands of fighting men are locked in a non-stop battle. The Russian pressure is stronger to the north and immediately south of Kharkov.

Offensive Operations

To-day's Soviet midday 'communique' reports: "Our troops continued offensive operations in the Kharkov direction.

KERCH PENINSULA:—Intensive fighting continued in the eastern part of the peninsula. Nothing of importance took place on other sectors of the front."

German Counter-attacks

New German counter-attacks in an effort to stop the Russian advance on the Kharkov sector are reported in a supplement to the 'communique.' All these counter-attacks failed, and cost the Germans dearly in manpower and equipment, is announced.

Seven hundred Germans were killed in one sector alone in one attack. At the same time the Russians captured a number of prisoners as well as guns, trench mortars and much ammunition and other supplies.

On Leningrad Front

The supplement also reports two battles on the Leningrad Front. In one of these the Russians cut the road between two German centres of resistance. A successful German effort to re-establish this line of communications cost them over 600 men.

In the second battle the Germans lost another 300 men as well as considerable number of supply lorries which were caught by Russian artillery.

New German Tactics

MOSCOW, May 21.

The battle of Kharkov has now entered a new stage where the fighting is in the open or in towns and villages without fortified protection, said a "Red Star" dispatch from the front to-day In several sectors the Germans are still clinging to strongly fortified centres of resistance and continuing the fight although encircled, it says.

"But our units are surrounding these garrisons and destroying them before they can break out or receive reinforcements".

The "Red Star" adds that the Germans are throwing in all their spring offensive concentrations in an effort to stem the Soviet advance. "A big tank battle is in progress in one sector of the front the outcome of which is not yet clear. After the Soviet troops had pierced the main German defence line, the fighting became changed to battles in depth. Because of their heavy losses in tanks, the Germans are modifying their tactics. They are putting into their counter-attacks infantry units supported by groups of only ten to fifteen tanks and aircraft.

"In their attacks on gun positions the Germans are resorting to 'tank pincer' tactics. Tanks in the middle of a formation are sacrificed by drawing fire in the hope that others will crush the batteries from the flank. Soviet gunners are frustrating this manoeuvre by keeping up frontal and flank fire. Infantry units which are supplied with plenty of anti-tank weapons are also repulsing these attacks"

BATTLE OF KERCH

Nazi Claims Exposed

LONDON, May 21.

A brief review of the German claims in the battle of Kerch affords an enlightening commentary on German propaganda methods, says "Annalist".

On May 13 a special announcement said that Russian forces in the Peninsula had practically been annihilated, and over 40,000 prisoners having been taken;

On May 14 the Russians were being relentlessly pursued;

On May 15 the Germans were said to be at the gates of Kerch;

On May 16 the town had been penetrated;

On May 17 fighting was proceeding on the eastern promontary;

On May 18 the annihilation of the Russians was imminent;

On May 19 the annihilation was almost complete and

On May 20 the annihilation was completed with 149,000 prisoners taken.

The same night the German broadcast admitted that stiff fighting was still in progress.

Major Clash Imminent

Commenting on the Kharkov battle "Annalist" says:

There is again complete lack of reliable news from the fighting in southern Russia. It is practically impossible to assess the position owing to the meagre details furnished by the official 'communiques.'

What further complicates the position is that Russian 'communiques' speak of a German offensive south-east of Kharkov, but the Germans make no alusion to the fighting but speak of a fresh Russian offensive at Taganrog which the Russians do not mention. The 'communiques' of both sides, therefore, refer to the opponent's offensive but say very little about their own.

The Russians claim to have held up the German counter-offensive at Isyum with heavy losses to the enemy. The fact that the Germans make no claims in this quarter may be interpreted as indicating that no appreciable success has been achieved.

On the rest of the Kharkov front the battle is proceeding with undiminished vigour, but Russian progress has been slowed down. Both sides are throwing very strong forces into the fighting. It would appear that a major engagement is in issue.

If it is true that the Russians have also begun an offensive towards Taganrog, it would indicate that Marshal Timoshenko has tremendous reserves at his disposal. But no picture that would be even approximately correct can be formed of what is really happening.

It appears from the Russian 'communique that the fighting is still in progress in the Kerch Peninsula and this was admitted in a German broadcast last night.

BR. ADVISERS FOR NEGUS

Emperor Determined To Abolish Slavery

LONDON, May 21.

Asked whether the Ethiopian Government had been in communication with the British Government with regard to the abolition of slavery, Mr. Law, Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs, said that they had received no communication from the Emperor on the question but "I think the Emperor's intention to abolish slavery is well-known and His Majesty's Government have no doubt of his determination to carry out this policy."

Answering another question, Mr. Law said that the Emperor had appointed or would shortly appoint British subjects as advisers to His Ministries of Finance, Justice, Interior, Commerce, Communications, Posts and Telegraphs and Education as well as two as judges and two others as advisers on the Municipal and Medical Services respectively."—Reuter.

ATTLEE ON POST-WAR PROBLEMS

Welcomes Russian 'Kick-Back' Against Germany

LONDON, May 21.

"We have been relieved from bombing here for some time—touch the wood everyone", said the Dominion Secretary Mr. Attlee as he reached for the table leg at the Overseas League gathering to-day. Everyone did likewise. "Just as we remember the help given us after Dunkirk by men from the dominions we are equally sensitive to the danger in which our kinsfolk in the Dominions and friends in India are to-day. We know their dangers and will do the utmost in our power".

Welcoming what he termed the Russian "kick back" against Germany, Mr. Attlee said, "We have our plans too, but I am not going to reveal them to you. One is not allowed to say anything about future operations. We are slow to anger, but when we get going, we really get going".

Mr. Attlee expressed the conviction that the British Commonwealth of Nations would emerge stronger than ever at the end of the war. "We have shown we can combine self-government with cooperation. The Commonwealth will have to bear a big part in solving the postwar reconstruction problems.—Reuter.

ALLIES STRIKE IN PACIFIC AGAIN

Enemy Targets In Timor And Koepang Bombed

LONDON, May 21.

General MacArthur's forces have struck again in the South-West Pacific area.

A 'communique' issued from the Allied headquarters say that a force of aircraft attacked the harbour of Deli in Timor and the aerodrome at Koepang.

Large fires were started at the aerodrome and runways and two enemy planes on the ground were destroyed.—Reuter.

NAZI REPLY TO MEXICO

Berlin Expects Result Will Be Declaration Of War On Axis

STOCKHOLM, May 21.

Germany's reply to Mexico's protest about the sinking of a Mexican tanker off Miami last week is expected to be in the hands of the Mexican Government to-day, says the Berlin correspondent of "Stockholms Tidningen".

The expectation of Berlin is that it will result in a declaration of war by Mexico on the Axis almost immediately. Other Latin American States are expected to be influenced.—Reuter.

ON THE REBOUND

Courtesy: "The Gazette" Montreal

Jap Advance In Mekung Front Held In Check

Chinese Offer Stiff Resistance Against Enemy Offensive In China

CHUNGKING, May 21.

A Chinese military spokesman said to-day that Chinese forces were attacking Tengchung, the ancient town sixty miles inside the Chinese province of Yunnan, which adjoins Burma and that the clearing up of Japanese troops there was only a question of time.

Hundred miles to the south-east the Japanese were attacking Kengtung, but were not making progress. In the Chekiang province of China four Japanese columns were converging in the direction of Kinhwa, the provincial capital, but were still fifty miles away.

Jap Drive Towards Kenglon

BOMBAY:—The Chungking military spokesman said that on the whole the situation on the Yunnan border was very heartening. On the Mekung front, further south in the southern Shan States, fighting was going on in the vicinity of Mong Kung and Kenglon. Enemy drive in this area apparently had Kenglon as its objective. But enemy advance had been held in check.

The Spokesman announced that the Japanese forces pushing in a south-westerly direction on the 300 kilometre front in eastern Chekiking, were now about 80 kilometres from Kinhwa, which was apparently their main objective. The spokesman added that the enemy, who launched the drive last Friday, made an advance of approximately 80 kilometres by Sunday. Fighting was raging on the whole front with unabated severity, with Chinese forces battling against great odds, and exerting their utmost to check the enemy's advance.

Referring to the total Japanese strength on this front, the spokesman disclosed that so far the names of five enemy divisions had been found out. However, enemy strength might not have been as great as five divisions. It was believed that between, 30,000 and 40,000 men were actually in the field with 30,000 more held in reserve in Hangchow and its vicinity.

Dividing into four columns, the Japanese concentrated their main strength in the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway line zone. Here a Japanese column moving southward from Shaoshin reached Chuki on Sunday. Continuing his drive, the enemy had advanced to some other points to the south".

The spokesman further announced that roughly 7,000 Japanese had lately been concentrated in the Nanchang area in Kikangsi. The purpose of this move could not be ascertained at present. Should the enemy make a drive eastwards, it could be aimed at getting control of the Chekiang-Kiangsi railway

R. A. F. BOMBERS ON CHINDWIN FRONT

Atleast Dozen Japanese Aircraft Destroyed

NEW DELHI, May 21.

On May 20, R. A. F. bombers again attacked enemy targets on the Chindwin river in the vicinity of Kalewa, says an R. A. F. communique.

The waterfront, a paddle steamer and barges were bombed and other river craft were machine-gunned. Sampans at the mouth of the river Mayu near Akyab were also bombed and machine-gunned.

12 Jap Planes Destroyed

An R. A. F. bomber reconnaissance squadron, which has been in the East for only a few months, has knocked out at least a dozen Japanese aircraft—seaplanes and landplanes—in Burma and has been especially busy in the many R. A. F. raids on the enemy occupied aerodrome at Akyab, says a Press note.

One crew of this squadron, on a lone dawn raid this week, destroyed two navy "zero" fighters on the ground and then got away safely by skipping from cloud to cloud, although three or four navy "zeros" joined in the pursuit. The R. A. F. bomber was piloted by a New Zealander, native of Wairuruya, north island, and the destruction of the two Jap aircraft came with his first chance of attacking enemy aircraft on the ground.

JAPS IN FULL CONTROL OF DUTCH TIMOR

LONDON, May 21.

From Allied headquarters in Australia: It is stated officially that there are no Allied forces on Portuguese Timor. There is little doubt that the Japanese are in full control of Dutch Timor.

EAST RAND EXPLOSIONS

Extensive Damage To State Property In South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, May 21

Extensive damage was done to State property on East Rand on Wednesday as the result of bomb explosions at post offices at Benoni, Alberton near Germiston and Boksburg. Two men have been detained in connection with the Benoni explosion.—Reuter.

BR. LABOUR AND INDIA

Demand For Re-opening Of Negotiations

(From Our Correspondent).

LONDON, May 21.

Attempts are being made to raise the question of India in the forthcoming Labour Party Conference.

I understand that some members of the party executive are most dissatisfied with Government's policy and a sort of tug-of-war is going on between the party's "high-ups" and men like Prof. Laski. Much depends on the meeting of the Executive to be held to-morrow when a draft resolution will be discussed. If "high-ups" win the resolution it is likely to be in support of Government's policy and will be sponsored by their nominee. Otherwise, there is every likelihood that either Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Laski or even Mr. Gordon MacDonald may take up responsibility for the introduction of the resolution in Party's Conference which will seek to emphasise the necessity of re-opening negotiations through the Viceroy with leaders of Indian opinion.

Recent statements by Gandhiji are causing much speculation here and in some sections a sort of annoyance. The "Birmingham Post" shows its temper in the following words: "We shall not be so impolite to suggest to Mr. Gandhi that he is suffering from premature senile decay. We suspect however that even some who hitherto have held his judgment in respect, will discern in what he is now saying about war and about India's part in war some symptoms of mental deterioration."

MADRAS SCHOOLS TO RE-OPEN

But Government Warns That Danger Still Exists

MADRAS, May 21.

The Government of Madras desire that all educational institutions in Madras city shall reopen on the due dates after the vacation, and that there shall be no loss of education to those children whose parents are unable to take or send them away from the city. This does not imply in any way that the city is no longer liable to enemy attacks. That danger still exists.

Arrangements should be made for those Madras city pupils who remain in the mofussil, to attend mofussil schools and colleges, if they so desire and steps have already been taken to this end. Similarly all educational institutions should re-open in the mofussil.—A.P.

STOP PRESS

CHINESE ATTACK MYITKYINA

CHUNGKING, May 21.

The Chinese army in Northern Burma in establishing its general headquarters at a point near where the Burma, India and Yunnan borders meet, according to the army newspaper "Takung Pao" to-day.

Chinese troops are reported to be attacking Myitkyina, the Northern Burma town and terminus of the Rangoon-Mandalay railway. —Reuter.

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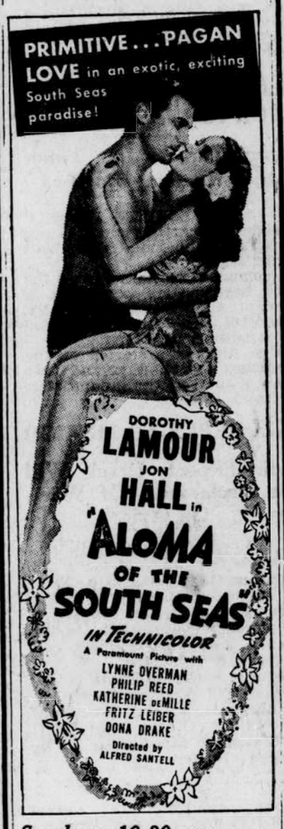

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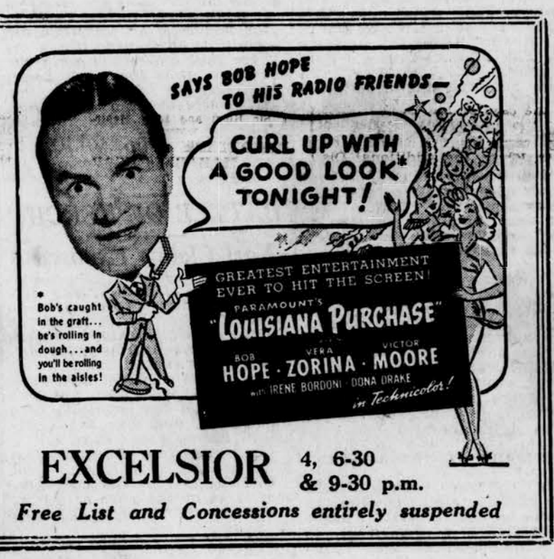
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Delhi I—Programme

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Bombay I—Programme.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s.)

7-30 a.m. Bismil Qawwal and party. 7-45 Bhairavin on Dilruba by AIR Aritist 7-50 News in Hindustani. 8 News in English. 8-10 Hira Bai Barodekar. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 B. P. Bhati.

12-30 p.m. Naats. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Musical variety. 1-30 News in English. 1.35 Lunch hour music.

5 p.m. To-morrow. 5-5 M. D. Kelkar. 5-25 B. P. Bhatt. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarati. 5-50 V. G. Yardi. 6 News in English. 6-10 Counter-attack 6-15 News in Hindustani. 6-25 Local news and announcements. 6-30 Children's half-hour (English). 7 Shatruchya Batmya. 7-15 Indian music 7-30 Bismil Qawwal and party. 7-45 News commentary (Gujarati). 7-50 Hira Bai Barodekar. 8-10 News in Marathi. 8-30 News in Gujarati. 8-30 World Affairs. 8-45 A.R.P. answering you. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News Commentary in Hindustani. 9-30 News in English. 9-50 B B C news relay. 9-45 Listening post. 9-50 War review. 10 Hirabai Barodekar.

Bombay II—Programme.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 7-50 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 7-50 Bhahmanand Bhajan. 8 Thumri-Bhairavin. 8-10 to 8-50 As in Bombay 1. 8-50 AIR quartet. 9 M. D. Kelkar. 9-10 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1.

12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

51.48 metres (4880 kc/s)

7-30 p. m. Commercial news. 7-45 to 8-10 As in Bombay 1. 8-10 Jaltarang Solo. 8-20 M. D. Kelkar. 8-30 to 9-0 As in Bombay 1. 9-0 AIR Orchestra. 9-10 B. P. Bhatt. 9-20 Bismil Qawwal and Party. 9-30 Ruby Diaz: 9-45 R. Dawson (Baritone). 10-5 The Salon Trio.

DERAILMENT IN S. I. RAILWAY

MADURA, May 21.

The District Traffic Superintendent, S. I. Railway wires from Madura:—

"At about 6-40 p.m. on May 20, six vehicles of the daily goods train No. 1407 running between Chatrapatti and Oddanchatram on the Pollachi-Dindigul section were derailed and capsized, but none were killed or injured. Damage to the stock was serious. The permanent way was damaged for about a mile. Transhipment is not possible at present. Through running is not likely to be resumed next 48 hours. Train service is maintained between Pollachi and Chatrapatti and between Dindigul and Oddanchatram." — United Press.

Kunte's Bail Application Rejected

(From Our Corresspondent)

THANA, May 21.

The court room was crowded when the case of Mr. D. K. Kunte, M.L.A. the prominent leader of Alibag, came up for hearing before Mr. Khan, the Additional District Magistrate, yesterday and he was taken to Thana jail when the application of bail was rejected by the Court.

It is learnt that application for bail from Mr. Kunte will be submitted to the Sessions Court today.

Messrs. Wamanrao Rege and Tamhankar appeared for Mr. Kunte.

Parsis' Special Prayers At Udvada

For 33 days beginning from Wednesday (20th May) Parsi Vegetarian and Temperance Society is organising big ceremonial festival by offering special prayers at Udwada with a view to combat evil forces of war and for general welfare of humanity. In order to meet the heavy expenses contributions are invited by the organisors. They may be addressed to: Noble Chambers (B) Parsi Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay.

City And Suburbs

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

SUPER—"The Return of Toofan Mail" 4-15, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"The Guest" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Louisiana Purchase" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
NEW WEST END—"Khan-Daan" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
CAPITOL:—"Aloma of the South Seas" 4, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola" 2-15, 5-45 and 9 p.m.
METRO—"The Man who Came to Dinner" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Helizapoppin" 4, 6-30 and 9-30
SWASTIK—"Avaz" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
HIND-MATA—"Jungle Princess" 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m
PALACE—"Road to Zanzibar" 4, 6-30 and 10
EDWARD—"Akela" 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Tulsi" 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
AURORA—"Back Street" 3-30, 6-30 and 10.
CENTRAL—"Pahila Palna" 3-30, 6-15 and 9 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Society" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Apna Ghar" 3, 6 and 9 p.m.
MINERVA—"Station Master" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Bharat Milap" 2-45, 6 and 9 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Rai Saheb" 3-30, 6-30 and 9-30 p.m.
BROADWAY—"Garib" 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Pyas" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Amrit" 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
PRAKASH—"Thoratanchi Kamla" 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

INCIDENT OFFICERS' TRAINING COURSE: A lecture will be given on "Rescue Service" to-day (Friday), at 5-15 p.m. in the Conference Hall, Electric House, Fort.

MOGAVEERA YUVAKA SANGHA: The Mogavcera Yuvaka Sangha, Bombay, has sustained a grievous loss by the death of Dr. R. B. Amin (Homeo.), an active worker and ex-President of the Sangh on Sunday last (May 17) at the G. T. Hospital.

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER: The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber had an interview with Mr. J.H.F. Raper, Member, Railway Board, (Transportation) on Wednesday, when questions relating to Transport difficulties such as wagon shortage etc., were discussed.

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL HINDI PRACHAR SABHA: The Secretary, Bombay Provincial Hindi Prachar Sabha, writes:—On Sunday, the 24th inst. at 4 p.m. Sjt. Kaka Sahib Kalelkar will meet the Pracharaks of the city of Bombay and Suburbs at the Sabha Office, Adenwala Mansion, Near Wilson College, Chaupati Sea Face.

MUNICIPAL COUNCILLORS' CONFERENCE: Under the auspices of the Public Relations Committee of the Bombay Municipal Congress Party, a conference of the members of the said committee and Municipal Councillors of Ward Nos. 17, 18 and 19 ("G") will be held to-day (Friday), at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) at Sarojini Cottage, Congress House, to discuss the existing Municipal amenities, their proper distribution and the need of supplementing the same.

Government House News

BOMBAY, May 20.

Lady Lumley attended a party at the Sir Alwyn Ezra Canteen given by Sir Hugh and Lady Clayton for those who have been assisting in the entertainment of troops under the auspices of the Hospitality Committee.

Bombay, 21st May.—Lady Lumley dined with Sir Homi and Lady Mehta.

INSANITARY CONDITIONS IN MAHABLESHWAR

A Mahableshwar correspondent severely criticises the abnormal conditions prevalent there in this season. The sanitary conditions are overlooked and owing to transport difficulties the number of visitors has gone down.

MUSLIM DEFENCE COMMITTEE TO TOUR HYDERABAD

(From Our Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD, May 21.

Members of the All-India Muslim League Defence Committee consisting of Nawab Mohamed Ismail, Sir Nazimuddin Choudhery Khaliquzaman, Etzazi Mohammed Isa are expected to reach Hyderabad on Sunday from Bangalore. During their stay in Hyderabad they will be guests of Nawab Kamal Yar Jung.

Othman K. H. Woo who was here for a brief visit met the Nawab of Chattari, President Nizam's Executive Council, and Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung President Ithe Hadul Muslimeen yesterday. He is expected to be granted an audience by H. E. H. the Nizam.

PVB

P.V.B DRIVE FOR A BLOOD BANK: In the true spirit of service, the Circle Officers of the P.V.B. made a Spontaneous offer to donate their blood to the 'Blood Bank when Dr. Glider, the C.M.O., addressed them on Wednesday evening in this connection and appealed for a drive in the City to enrol Blood Donors.

The P.V.B. intends to launch a drive for this purpose in the near future. It is confident that it will be able to get thousands of persons, both from its volunteers as well as from the citizens, to respond to its appeal. The lead that the Circle Officers have given must be followed up in the same spirit.

FOR 'C' WARD P.V.B. FIRST AID VOLUNTEERS: F. A. Volunteers of the P.V.B. 'C' Ward are requested to attend the First Aid revision-lectures of the doctors at Bhatiya Mahajan Wadi, Kolbhat Lane on 22nd, 23rd, and 24th inst. at 9 p.m. as a test of the volunteers is to be held shortly.

CO-PROSPERITY SLOGAN A MERE TRASH

Sir Cowasji's Appeal To Scotch Rumour-Mongering And Join N. W. F.

A broadcast talk was given by Sir Cowasji Jehangir from the Bombay Station of All-India Radio on Sunday. The following are extracts from the talk:—

For some time now, particularly since the fall of Singapore, a whole stream of enemy propaganda has been directed at India, of which the main thing is that Indians are Asiatics, like the Japanese, that it is to India's interest to break away from the Allies and to join Japan in her co-prosperity sphere, and that thereby India will become both independent and powerful. Every artifice has been used to make this propaganda sound plausible. All the old controversies between India and England have been trotted out, a grain of truth mixed with a heap of fiction and the concoction placed before what the Axis, no doubt, thinks is the gullible Indian public.

MERE TRASH

Secondly, Indians know that the blandishments of the enemy regarding India's share in the co-prosperity sphere are just so much trash. They know what has happened in Korea; they know what has more recently happened in China,—the murders, the looting, the outraging of women, the systematic doping of large sections of the population.

JOIN N. W. F.

After refuting the allegations made by the "chicken-hearted and the war-mongers that Allied morale was cracking up. Sir Cowasji concluded: There is certainly room for improvement; and it is essential for insuring Victory in the quickest possible time that the Civilian no less than the Armed Front should be tuned to the highest pitch of efficiency. Many representative men all over India have expressed themselves as so impressed with the necessity of doing this that it is proposed to organise them as the nucleus of a National War Front. This Front is entirely non-political and non-communal, and it does not ask for subscriptions. All that is demanded of those who join the Front, is that they must, in the words of the Viceroy who inaugurated it some time ago, 'stand steady, encourage the brave, strengthen the faint-hearted, rebuke the babbler, and root out the hidden traitor.'

Lighting Restrictions

MADRAS, May 21.

Commencing from May 25, street lighting and lighting in houses as permitted by the existing "brown-out" regulations will be allowed till midnight. From that hour, full "black-out" conditions will come into force.—United Press.

Death Of Sir Abdoolla Haroon Condoled

A meeting of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim Chamber of Commerce and Industry was held at the Office of the Chamber on Tuesday, Mr. Yousuff A. Fazalbhoy presided.

The Committee passed a resolution of condolence at the death of Sir Abdoolla Haroon, M.L.A., Central, who was also a member of the Working Committee of the Chamber.

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B. B. & C. I. Railway Timings

From 1st June the Frontier Mail, Kathiawad Mail and Gujarat Mail will leave Central Station at 7-20 p.m., 6 p.m. and 7-55 p.m. respectively, the times of arrival being 9-35 a.m., 8-45 a.m. and 7-30 a.m. respectively.

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DRAFT OF NEW TRADE UNION BILL

NAGPUR, May 21.

The "United Press" learns that following are the conditions embodied in the draft Bill of the Government of India, the fulfilment of which will entitled a Trade Union to Government recognition:

(1) That it is, and has been for at least six months prior to the date of the application for recognition, a registered Trade Union;

(2) That its rules do not provide for the exclusion of members on communal or religious grounds;

(3) That its executive meets at least once a quarter;

(4) Any further condition that may be prescribed in this behalf by the appropriate Government;

Provided that if such further condition is one requiring the Union to have a minimum number of members, the number fixed shall not exceed 30 per cent of the total number of workmen eligible for admission as ordinary members of the Union.

The Executive of a recognised Trade Union shall be entitled to negotiate with the employer in respect of matters affecting the common interests of the members of the Trade Union, and the employer shall receive and send replies to letters sent by the executive on, and grant interviews to that body regarding, matters affecting the interests of the members of the Union.

Any employer who fails to deal with a recognised union shall be punishable with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees.—United Press.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: The Municipal Commissioner will meet the elected members of Ward No. 15, to-morrow (Saturday), at 6-51 a.m. (B.T.), at the junction of Tripartite Road and Court New Road and go round with them in the Ward.

Rewa Move To Get Ban On Ruler Lifted

(From A Correspondent.)

REWA, May 21.

The people's Representative Committee has handed over a petition signed by one lac and eighteen thousand subjects of State to Major Wooldridge, Administrator, Rewa State to be forwarded to His Excellency the Crown Representative the petition is meant to get His Excellency's order against the Maharaja withdrawn.

Public Debate On 'C. R.' Proposal

"That in the opinion of this House Mr C. Rajagopalachari's proposal for a Congress-League settlement is in the best interest of the National Movement" will be the subject of a public debate at the premises of the South Indian Association, Matunga, to-morrow (Saturday), at 6 p.m. (S.T.), Mr. C. K. Narayanswami will move the proposition while Mr. K. A. Abbas will oppose it

HOCKEY AT LAHORE

The following are the results of matches played to-day in the Gymkhana hot weather hockey tournament:

Varsity Old Boys 1, D. A. V. College 0.

Loco Sports (N.W.R.) 0, Raiders 0.

In the opening match of the Y.M.C.A. Football Tournament this evening Mozang Muslims defeated the Y.M.C.A. by five goals to nil.—A.P.

W. I. Championship

Tramwaymen's Narrow Victory Over South Kanara 'B'

The second string of South Kanara put up an excellent fight against the B. E. S. T. in the Western India Football Championship Tournament on Thursday evening at the Cooperage. The Tramwaymen managed to win the engagement by a solitary goal scored in the first half of play.

Jepson Cup

B. B. And C. I. Railway Held By Lusitanians In Semi-final

In the second semi-final of the Jepson Cup Hockey Tournament, the B. B. and C. I. Railway 'A' were held by the Lusitanians to a goalless draw on Thursday evening at the B. P. H. A. ground. The Railwaymen who had won all the three city tournaments earlier in the season, were rather over-confident of their success and although they had the major share of the game could not score. The defenders of the 'Lusis', particularly their half backs, deserve special praise for the dogged tenacity and resourcefulness with which they held their citadel intact.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

5-30 p.m. B. B. and C. I. Railway 'A' vs. Lusitanians S.C. (Replay)

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The Bombay Chronicle

WANTED REAL POWER

Referring to India in his reply to the war debate in the Commons Sir Stafford Cripps said that Government had not in any sense closed the door regarding India and that they were only too anxious that the matter should be settled at any time when a settlement looked likely or possible. Immediately after the failure of his mission in India he had said that the next step must be taken by India and that Britain would not take the initiative in the matter. He is, perhaps, a little more conciliatory now. But he still declares that the British Government cannot put forward any fresh proposals because the proposals they had put forward were, they believed, the best they could offer. Immediately after his failure in India he had withdrawn his proposals. Now he suggests that they are still in the field though they represent the utmost Britain can offer. Though there is no use reading too much in the change, obviously his new declaration shows that the British Government have realized the mistake of their earlier decision to withdraw the proposals. They should go a little further and, profiting by the mistakes Sir Stafford Cripps made in his zeal, should revise the proposals in the light of criticism made by various political organizations and the Press, and take the initiative in resuming negotiations which had been so abruptly and mysteriously terminated by Sir Stafford.

Defence Of India

Sir Stafford's remarks on the defence of India are significant. He says: "We have accepted full responsibility for the duty of defending India in association with Indians so far as they help us in that task". These words, we believe, suggest that, whatever may be the transfer of responsibility to Indians in respect of other subjects, Britain must retain "full responsibility for the duty of defending India". Indian leaders were prepared to accept the position that the actual operations of the war should be the sole responsibility of the Commander-in-Chief as War Minister, provided the Defence Minister was given real power in regard to other military matters. On this issue, with further give and take ample measure of agreement would have been arrived at between Sir Stafford and the Congress if the former had not virtually gone back on his earlier assurance that, in regard to all other subjects, the Viceroy's Council would function as a truly National Government.

Urgent Problem

Sardar Sant Singh, leader of the Central Assembly Nationalist Party, has expressed the view that the Viceroy will make an important move in the next few days by agreeing to complete the Indianisation of the Executive Council and that an attempt will also be made to win over the minorities. Many others have made similar forecasts. This may be wishful thinking on the part of some or drawing inferences from the present policy of Government. As regards the merits of the expected changes, there is no doubt that Indianisation is a step in the right direction. But Indian assistants of the Viceroy, howsoever superior to non-Indians, cannot truly serve the purpose of India. They can serve her best only if they have real power, if they are real Ministers. Then one need not mind whether the Ministers are drawn from the minority communities or the majority ones. If all the important communities arrive at a settlement they will not fail to wrest real power from Britain. The most urgent problem before all patriotic Indians is therefore, the forging of such unity.

Commons Debate

The debate in the Commons on Wednesday was remarkable for some outspoken criticism of British Government's manner of prosecuting the war. Mr. Hore-Belisha, while rightly not deprecating the present feeling of optimism in Britain, drew attention to the other side of the picture. The Japanese, he said, were still advancing, China was now cut off from the aid of the United Nations, Japan had acquired the equipment of at least a quarter of a million Allied soldiers and many ships had been lost. To deal with the Axis challenge, Mr. Hore-Belisha urged that the United Nations "must meet the unified strategy" of the Axis by a 'unified strategy' of our own, which, he added, was not yet in good working order. That the criticism is not without some justification is evident from the manner in which Allied air-power is being employed or distributed. It is now well-known that the United Nations have achieved equality in air with the Axis Powers, if not superiority. And, yet, the explanation of recent successes of Japanese in Burma and within the Chinese borders is the lack of adequate air support to the land forces resisting them. The Chinese have been demanding more aircraft not only to resist the Japanese in their own country but also for airbases there with a view to operate against Japan herself. The R.A.F. by its raids in occupied France and in Germany has immobilised a considerable portion of the German air force, but its operations have to be more frequent and on an increasingly large scale with a view indirectly to help Russia. Dealing with the question of lack of adequate air support for the army Mr. Hore-Belisha said: "The Russians opened the Kharkov offensive with a swarm of 'Stormavik' divebombers. The Germans preceded the Kerch onslaught with 2,000 Stukas. In the Far East, a whole Empire has been taken not by superfluity of armies but by modern tactics. Our armies have no such support." He added that General Alexander was one of the ablest generals in the British army "but in Burma, his men were short of food and water, their transport was destroyed, their ammunition dumps were blown up. They had been wading up to their necks through swamps harassed by serpents and mosquitoes and living on unripe limes picked from trees—because they had no adequate air support. This is not to be tolerated after three years of war." This may or may not be true, but there is no doubt that strengthening the defence of India, more aircraft for China, greater and increasing use of it against Japan, more extensive and intensive activity of the R.A.F. in Western Europe and a more vigorous campaign in Libya are the immediate needs of the situation. The resources of the United Nations are immense and certainly superior to those at the disposal of the Axis powers. What is needed is the co-ordinated and most effective utilization of these resources to make ultimately victory doubly sure.

Mean And Cowardly

If the throwing of a missile at Mr. Rajagopalachari was the work of anti-Pakistanists, they have ill-served their cause, apart from the meanness and cowardice in insulting a great and earnest leader. Rajaji relies on argument in his propaganda for Pakistan. Those who oppose him have at least as good arguments. If they prefer force to arguments they practically give away their case. And Rajaji is the last man to be cowed by force. That was amply demonstrated by his leaping right into the crowd and challenging it to attack him. Coming to the subject of his address, Rajaji rightly remarked that resistance to the aggressor would be effective only if the people stood united. But the pity of it is that so many want or understand unity on their own terms.

Frankly Speaking

Martinique Talks

It is gratifying to note that, in spite of the intransigeance of M. Laval, the Hoover-Robert talks over the future of Martinique are progressing satisfactorily. It was revealed by Mr. Cordell Hull that effective action was already being taken, by removing fuel oil and by other measures, to immobilize French ships at Martinique and Guadeloupe. This is quite a good beginning and it can be now confidently hoped that, like Madagascar, those islands will be finally safeguarded from Axis designs. It has been made clear once again that the present steps have been prompted solely by strategic considerations and that there is no the least intention of interfering with French sovereignty. It is interesting to learn that Jibuti also is likely to come to an understanding with the British as that colony is now faced with starvation. Two important French outposts—Dakar and Tunis—still remain, however, as potential footholds for the Axis. How do the Allies propose to deal with them?

Step In Right Direction

Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, a prominent Labour Leader of Bombay, who was recently released from detention, has been appointed Central Adviser on Labour Welfare under the Labour Department, Government of India. The appointment, it is stated, is part of the plan which Sir Feroze Khan Noon, Labour Member, has formulated for establishing closer contact with industrial and other labour and Mr. Nimbkar will tour the country frequently, "maintaining touch with Labour and using his influence to keep up its morale and help prevent or settle disputes." The step taken by the Government of India is one in the right direction and Sir Feroze Khan Noon deserves congratulation on recognizing the need of new and more liberal policy towards Labour. Much is being said frequently about the contribution made by this or that group towards winning the war. But, besides the actual combatants, there is no class of people who have done more and are doing more to help winning the war than the workers in the factories. They demand and deserve a fair deal, even apart from this. We welcome the initiative taken by Sir Feroze Khan as a step in the direction of giving them a fair deal.

Release The Detenus

Mr. N. M. Joshi in his letter which we published on Wednesday draws attention to the release from jail of Earl Browder, the American Communist leader, by President Roosevelt and suggests that the Government of Bombay should follow the good example by immediately releasing the Communist detenus in this Province. It was six months ago that the Government of India promised that all Provincial Governments would review the cases of the detenus. The Government of Bombay have since released a few of them but, as Mr. Joshi points out, "prompt and honest fulfilment of a promise publicly made will not hamper war effort but will promote it, especially as the Communists have now openly declared their support for the war". It is, however, not merely Communist detenus but also all other detenus who should be released.

Congress Discipline

Mr. Rajagopalachari's campaign against the A. I. C. C. decision has raised the question of Congress discipline. When the Congress says: "Though shalt not do this", and someone wilfully does it, disciplinary action may be taken against him, though it is not always wise to take such action merely because it can be validly taken. In so far as Congress has laid down a policy of non-co-operation in a certain sphere Rajaji has not *acted* against that policy. He is only preaching the view that the policy needs to be modified. Congress has in the past allowed latitude in expressing views. The same latitude may now be extended to all those who are not members of a Congress *executive* body entrusted with the task of carrying out and popularising the Congress policy.

ATTACK ON ENEMY CONVOY IN MEDITERRANEAN

CAIRO, May 21.

Thursday's R. A. F.'s "Communique" states "objectives in Crete and Libya were raided by our bomber aircraft during Tuesday night and during the same night, R. A. F. and naval aircraft attacked an enemy convoy in the Mediterranean. Hits were scored with bombs and with torpedoes on a medium sized merchant vessel and destroyer.

Operations in Cyrenaica were on a reduced scale throughout May 20th owing to bad weather conditions. It is now established that in the early morning of May 14, a Junker 88 was hit by fire from anti-aircraft defences and crashed into the sea north of Alexandria Harbour. From all operations one of our aircraft is missing."—Reuter.

POLICE HUNT FOR 'HURS'

36 Rounded Up: Armed Escort Arranged For Passenger Trains

KARACHI, May 21.

Thirty "Hurs", it is learnt here, have been rounded up in raids made by Mr. H. T. Lambrick, Special District Magistrate, deputed to deal with the "HURS".

Since Sunday Mr. Lambrick with a strong party of armed police has made several raids on the Makhi Forest, the heart of "HUR" country.

Another police party is said to have arrested six "HURS" dressed in Khaki.

The Executive Engineer of Mithrao Division has issued an appeal to all landlords for their co-operation in dealing with breaches in canals and irrigation channels made by the "HURS".

PROTECTION FOR PASSENGERS

Armed escort for passenger trains and police protection at all wayside railway stations have been arranged by the authorities to ensure safe travel for railway passengers in Sind.

Passenger trains are escorted by a party of armed guards headed by an officer from Karachi to Hyderabad. From Hyderabad onward military squads accompany the trains upto Reti.

Police posts near wayside stations have been directed to shift themselves to railway premises and protect railway property as well.

In response to invitation from Mr. R. K. Sidhwa about ten members of the Assembly met to-day informally to discuss plans for meeting the situation. Mr. Sidhwa later said plans were informally discussed and submitted to the Premier for action.—A.P.

Cry From The Countryside

To the Editor of "The Chronicle".

Sir,—In the good old days, Gujerat was a garden-province of India. To-day we see there vast areas bleak and barren. Villages in the wateriess track there piteously cry for wells for water for themselves and their cattle-stock and themselves. Hence sympathetic readers of this paper are approached with these lines in the earnest hope that they will very kindly extend their love to these distressed and down-hearted folks by contributing their mite of help. "If thou wilt be perfect, give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven."—Yours faithfully,

BYRAM KHAMBATA.

"Belvedere Court",
Churchgate Reclamation, Fort, Bombay.

Dewan Bahadur Krishnalal Jhaveri

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—I fully endorse the views expressed by Mr. Veerbal H. Mehta suggesting that something more tangible should be done in honouring D. B. Krishnalal M. Jhaveri on his completion of 75 years of his devoted public life and I further suggest that a proper approach should also be made to some of the States like Bhavnagar, where he studied, Palanpur, where he is working in the capacity of Judicial Adviser, Lathi—where he was the President of the Gujarati Sahitya Parishad,—Cutch, where he worked as an arbitrator and they will readily join and give their unstinted support in this good cause.—Yours etc.

H. M. TRIVEDI.

Party Caucuses

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Mr C R. Nair in his letter published in "The Chronicle" on the 19th May follows the bad habit of attributing to me a number of views which were in no way indicated in my letter published in "The Chronicle" on the 18th instant. I there made a plain statement of fact, viz. that the Congress Caucus is largely wrapped up with and dependent upon Indian big businessmen who are supporting the Congress Party in the same way as the industrialists in Germany supported the Nazi Party.

There is nothing "mischievous" in that statement nor does it justify Mr. Nair in saying "I must, however, point out the great anxiety with which Mr. Parker disposed of Mr. Amery and the party caucuses, and hastened to take the opportunity of allying the Congress with the Nazi Party". There is no ground for suggesting that I approved of Mr. Baldwin's or Mr. Chamberlain's attitude in Defence matters. I make no attempt to disguise the fact that I am ashamed of them both. It is quite possible that the present world conflict, awful though it is, is necessary for the mental health of the world, but if that is not so, then I think it is a grave misfortune that the past history of our now great Leader Mr. Churchill was such that it was easy for people like Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Chamberlain to "down" him.

At any rate thank God, I know of no one in England now who is doing so little to help in the improvement of world conditions as Mr. Nair's friend Pandit Nehru.

I do not know whether Mr. Nair is interested in the welfare of "the people" or of the "industrialists". I am in both, but certain of the latter in India are quite, almost frankly, willing to rob the former for their own benefit. I am not.

I am more ashamed of him than I am of Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Chamberlain's stewardship of Defence, because the needs of the world are more evident now and if I am rightly informed Mr. Nehru is a man of exceptional ability, whereas the others were avowedly very ordinary second raters.—Yours, etc.

R. H. PARKER.

Bombay, May 19.

Slit-Trenches

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—The B. B. & C. I. Rly authorities are to be thanked for the promptness with which they have started the A. R. P. works on the Suburban Stations. These include erection of splinter walls, Wardens' posts, removal of glass panes, digging the slit-trenches, etc. A glance at the trenches reveals that no arrangement is made to stop rain water from running into the trenches, especially, in the low-lying areas such as Matunga. In the absence of such provision, the trenches will serve merely as a store-house for the rain-water and will defeat the purpose for which they are being constructed.

Secondly, will the coverings over them (constructed of the old slippers supported on a small earthen wall) resist the air-blast created by the explosion of the bomb in the vicinity?

I hope that the authorities will make the necessary changes before the monsoon breaks in.—Yours, etc.

D. L. MODI.

CUT IN SIZE OF NEWSPAPER

Quota Of Pages For Dailies And Periodical Papers

The following Order has been published in "The Gazette of India" of May 16th, 1942:—

"In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, and in supersession of the Order published with the notification of the Government of India in the Department of Commerce, No. 104-Ind. (28) 41, dated the 29th January, 1942, the Central Government is pleased to make the following Order, namely:—

The Newspaper Control Order, 1942.

1. (1) This Order may be called the Newspaper Control Order, 1942.

(2) It shall come into force on the 1st June, 1942.

2. In this Order—

(a) "newspaper" means any periodical publication containing public news or comments on public news, printed wholly or in part on newsprint and published at intervals of not more than fifteen days;

(b) "newsprint" has the same meaning as in the Newsprint Control Order, 1941:

(c) "Schedule" means a Schedule to this Order;

(d) "week" means a period of seven days beginning with a Monday.

3. For the purposes of this Order a newspaper shall be classified—

(a) as a daily, tri-weekly, bi-weekly or weekly, according as the normal number of publications of the newspaper in a week is not less than six, is less than six but not less than three, is two or is one, and as a fortnightly if the newspaper is normally published once in two weeks; and

(b) as Class A, Class B or Class C, according as the area of a page of the newspaper, including margins and other spaces clear of print, is not less than 336 square inches, less than 336 but not less than 200 square inches, or is less than 200 square inches.

4. If any dispute arises as to whether a publication is or is not a newspaper for the purposes of this Order or as to the classification of a newspaper under clause 3, it shall be referred to the Central Government and the decision of the Central Government thereon shall be final.

ALLOCATION OF PAGES

5. (1) The total number of pages in all the issues of a daily newspaper published during a week shall not exceed the quota assigned in Schedule I to a newspaper of that class and price.

(2) Where a daily newspaper is published in more than one edition for sale in the same locality every such edition shall be deemed to be a separate issue for the purposes of this clause.

6. The total number of pages in all the issues of a tri-weekly or bi-weekly newspaper published during any period of two weeks shall not exceed the quota assigned in Schedule II to a newspaper of that class and price.

7. The total number of pages in all the issues of a weekly or fortnightly newspaper published during any period of four weeks shall not exceed the quota assigned in Schedule III to a newspaper of that class and price.

8. Where different issues of a newspaper are sold at different prices, the lowest price at which any normal issue of the newspaper is sold shall be deemed to be the price of the newspaper for the purposes of clauses 5, 6 and 7.

9. No person shall publish a newspaper in contravention of the provisions of clauses 5, 6 and 7.

10. No person shall publish a newspaper any page of which, including margins and other spaces clear of print, exceeds 432 square inches in area.

11. No person shall return or offer or attempt to return any unsold copies of any newspaper, or accept or offer to accept or attempt to obtain any payment or repayment or allowance from any person by reason of any copies of any newspaper being unsold:

EXCEPTIONS

Provided that this prohibition shall not apply to—

(a) the sale or disposal of any unsold copies of any newspaper as wastepaper or as packing or wrapping paper; or

(b) the return of any copies which could not be sold owing to enemy action.

SCHEDULE I

Quota of pages for one week in the case of daily newspapers. (SEE CLAUSE 5.)

Price in annas.	Quota of pages for one week. Class A.	Class B.	Class C.
Less than ½	...	...	14
Not less than ½ but less than 1	14	20	28
Not less than 1 but less than 1½	28	42	56
Not less than 1½ but less than 2	42	62	84
Not less than 2	56	84	112

SCHEDULE II

Quota of pages for two weeks in the case of tri-weekly and bi-weekly newspapers. (SEE CLAUSE 6.)

Price in annas.	Quota of pages for two weeks. Tri-weekly Class A	Class B	Class C	Bi-weekly Class A	Class B	Class C
Less than ½	...	...	12	...	...	8
Not less than ½ but less than 1	12	18	24	8	12	16
Not less than 1 but less than 1½	24	36	48	16	24	32
Not less than 1½ but less than 2	36	54	72	24	36	48
Not less than 2	48	72	96	32	48	64

SCHEDULE III

Quota of pages for four weeks in the case of weekly and fortnightly newspapers. (SEE CLAUSE 7).

Price in annas.	Quota of pages for four weeks. Weekly. Class A	Class B	Class C	Fortnightly. Class A	Class B	Class C
Less than ½	...	...	8	...	...	4
Not less than ½ but less than 1	8	12	16	4	6	8
Not less than 1 but less than 1½	16	24	32	8	12	16
Not less than 1½ but less than 2	24	36	48	12	18	24
Not less than 2 but less than 2½	32	48	64	16	24	32
Not less than 2½ but less than 3	40	60	80	20	30	40
Not less than 3 but less than 3½	48	72	96	24	36	48
Not less than 3½ but less than 4	56	84	112	28	42	56
Not less than 4 but less than 4½	64	96	128	32	48	64
Not less than 4½ but less than 5	72	108	144	36	54	72
Not less than 5 but less than 5½	80	120	160	40	60	80
Not less than 5½ but less than 6	88	132	176	44	66	88
Not less than 6	96	144	192	48	72	96

British Justice For Germans After The War

LONDON, May 21.

The House of Lords to-day debated Britain's postwar policy in particular relation to the attitude to be adopted towards Germany.

Lord Nathan (Labour) referred to a recent speech by the Home Secretary, Mr. Morrison, advocating treatment of the German people with justice and said he had been authorised by Mr. Morrison to state that what the Home Secretary had in mind when making the speech was continuance of the blockade for the time following the cessation of hostilities as in the last war.

"There can be no doubt that continuance for the time of that blockade did exacerbate bitterness in the minds of the German people", declared Lord Nathan.

LABOUR ATTITUDE

"The British Labour Party will refuse all negotiations with the Hitler Government. It will insist upon decisive destruction of the power of German militarism and on a permanent guarantee which will assure victims of this war against any repetition. The Labour Party will moreover insist that those who had been responsible for the barbarities which a hundred years will remember with shame shall not escape the punishment their commission involves. Those who remorselessly break rules of civilised life must be made to feel the weight of their power. The Labour Party will be party to no peace of revenge."

The Duke of Bedford, who is well-known for his pacifist views, said there was only one policy after the great World War and that was for all nations to abandon the ridiculous idea of reparations and punishment and get together letting bygones be bygones, co-operation with one another to do all they would to rebuild the shattered world.

JUSTICE TO GERMANS

Replying to the debate, Lord Cranborne, the Colonial Secretary, said the policy of the Government was laid down in the Atlantic Charter and nothing had occurred to alter that. "There is nothing which the Home Secretary said which conflicts with that. Justice is one of the things for which we are fighting. Justice, firm and unflinching, for the Germans guilty of the abominable crimes we are witnessing.

When we are asked to emulate Nazi Justice I feel that is going too far. That is negation of justice. It is oppression, brutality and sadistic cruelty at its very worst. By all means let us have justice as stern and unflinching as you like against the Nazi leaders and their followers who had been guilty of these detestable crimes, but let it be British justice.

NO PEACE WITH NAZIS

Another alternative conception of justice had been mentioned by the Duke of Bedford and I find myself equally in disagreement with his conception. Apparently after two years of murder and rape unrivalled in history, he still does not see that Germany is worth of criticism or punishment. His Majesty's Government have already made it abundantly clear that we cannot consider peace with the Nazi leaders while they are there and I have no doubt that that is the opinion of an overwhelming majority of the British people.

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WITHOUT COMMENT

"At present the sepoy, particularly when serving overseas, has an income which enable him to make a generous allotment to his family without any personal hardships "
—"Times of India" editorial.

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Sir Stafford Cripps's declaration in the House of Commons that the offer of a substantial transfer of power to an Indian national government with which he came to India is withdrawn because the Congress leaders refuse to accept it *as* an affront to democracy, says Mr. M. N. Roy, General Secretary of the National Democratic Union, in a statement.

If only he would change the "is" (italicised by us) into "as", we would wholeheartedly agree with Mr. Roy.

"Comrade M. N. Roy, Esq.," (as our junior colleague insists on calling him) states that "To-day Hindu opinion is voiced more by the Mahasabha than by the Congress."

To-day—and for ever!

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India, according to Mr. Roy, "stands in the urgent need of a new leadership."

Modesty, of course, forbids him to name this "new" leadership!

But can the ex-revolutionary and pillar of the Comintern really call himself a "new" leader?

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CEYLON CAN TAKE IT!
—Headline.

Indian rice—but not Indian labour!

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Dealing with the reverses in the Pacific area, Sir Stafford Cripps stated that reverses on the battlefield were not always the result of negligence or stupidity.

No, not always! But doesn't that aggravate the negligence or stupidity when it does occur?

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VICEROY'S NEXT MOVE.
—Headline.

Not towards the Exit, surely!

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An increase of 1,200 per cent in the Indian Armoured Corps has taken place since the war started, says a New Delhi communique.

Which just proves something—something not very complimentary about the alleged Army Indianisation upto 1939!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS.
(By Our Junior Colleague.)

(1) Hitler will broadcast a message from the "Azad Hind Radio", greeting and congratulating the Hurs.

(2) The All-India Radio authorities are considering the possibility of encouraging a limited number of Indians to broadcast in English—provided the accent is pucca Oxford or at least Byculla!

(3) The Film Advisory Board will now produce a documentary film on the Evacuation of Indians from Burma and call it, "The Ungallant Effort."

(4) "The National War Front" is the name of a Communist weekly paper which has been revived and will be published in five languages under the editorship of Mr. R. P. Masani.

(5) Sir Stafford Cripps thinks that "in a war which is being waged from Australia to the Arctic", the unified strategy cannot be allowed to be unified!

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The guerilla General sent for his engineer and asked: "Jim, how long will it take to throw a bridge across this river?"

"Three days," said the engineer.

"Good," replied the General. "Have the draughtsman make the drawings right away."

After three days the General sent for the engineer again. "How's the bridge?" he asked.

"Bridge is made," replied the engineer "and you can march across if you don't have to wait for them pictures. They ain't done yet."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

After a man secures a girl's hand he sometimes finds she has him under her thumb.

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Honesty may be the best policy but life insurance is more satisfactory to the widow.

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The man who makes the best of everything always is sure of a market for his products.

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Don't think that because a man is an expert mathematician he always counts with the fair sex.

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Don't fail to lay up something for a rainy day, even if it's nothing more than a borrowed umbrella.

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But few men are brave enough to allow a mind reader to expose their thoughts in the presence of friends.

India Going Strong On Financial Front

N. R. Sarker Calls This War As "Three Per Cent. War" For This Country

CALCUTTA, May 21.

The soundness of the financial position of the Government of India was emphasised by the Hon Mr Nalini Ranjan Sarker, Member, Viceroy's Executive Council, in an interview with press representatives here to-day.

At the outset, Mr. Sarker said that since his arrival here, he had received anxious enquiries in the course of his discussions with the members of the public regarding a great many problems connected with the financial situation in India. "What is going to happen to their present investments, what will they do with their new incomes? Is there going to happen the dreaded inflation of currency which generally brings in its train an inevitable economic slump?"

"The answer to these questions", said Mr. Sarker "is to be found mainly in the position of the finances of the Government of India.

THREE MAIN FACTORS

"I propose to consider three main factors in appraising the possibilities of the present and the immediate future viz' firstly, how the war expenditures of the Government are being met; secondly, the public debt position; and thirdly, the currency position. On a close analysis of each of these factors, it will become evident that there are more substantial reasons for safety and security than for panic or undue pessimism. Here are some of the outstanding facts of the situation which, I think, should not only ease the anxiety of the people, but also indicate the responsibilities of the public in the present circumstances.

WAR BURDENS

The most important feature of the present war from the Indian standpoint is that during the last 32 months of War, India has borne the increasing strain on her finances very well. Her defence expenditure which was Rs. 46.18 crores in 1938-39 just before the war started, and has since been steadily increasing is expected to reach the level of Rs. 133 crores in 1942-43 according to the latest budget. The burden of this expenditure has so far been borne by India mostly by additional taxation. The tax revenue of India which was Rs. 72.34 crores in 1938-39 will it is estimated, amount to about Rs 112.32 crores in the current year. It is of course true that the budget could not be entirely balanced by increased taxation; but until the current year the deficits were comparatively speaking very small being Rs. 6.52 crores in 1940-41 and Rs. 17.27 crores in 1941-42 according to the revised estimate. The budget for 1942-43 has been prepared on the basis of an estimated deficit of Rs. 35,07 crores. It is significant to note that the burgetary deficit in India is only a fraction of her total budget, this is in sharp contrast to what obtains in other countries where the deficit is bigger than the estimated revenue receipts.

The actual expenditure on defence services and supplies that concern India's security against external aggression has in fact involved colossal amounts but only a portion of it is borne by India. Thus, it is estimated that during 1941-42 and 1942-43, the defence expenditure of the Indian Government will be Rs. 235 crores while the amount that will be spent by the British Government during the same period on this score will come to about Rs. 600 crores, exclusive of the free supplies of war materials made by the U. K. to India, which by 1942-43 will amount to about Rs. 60 crores.

NO LARGE INCREASE IN PUBLIC DEBTS

Another important fact in the development of India's war finance, said Mr. Sarker, is that while there has not been any large increase in India's total public debts as yet, India is soon going to be completely relieved of her foreign sterling debts as a result of the repatriation scheme.

The repayment of our sterling loans before they were due for payment has raised the credit of India in the London Market to the level of the British Government itself; and this has in turn strengthened and stabilised the credit of the Government of India in the domestic market. It was possible for the Government to raise defence loans on a large scale at a very low rate 'viz' three per cent. indeed, for India the present war has been a three per cent. war. With the credit of the Government maintained at a high level, capital for new enterprises has been forthcoming on cheaper terms, and it has been possible for the Government to pursue and enforce a cheap money policy.

STERLING RESOURCES

The sterling resources of India are steadily increasing and have already reached fair proportions. The question of their best utilisation in the economic interest of India is engaging the attention of the Government, and in this matter, the public also have their due share of responsibility in offering helpful suggestions so that the resources can be used in further strengthening the economic position of the country.

EXPANSION OF CURRENCY

Mr. Sarker continued: during the war, there has no doubt been some inflation as the increasing volume of note issue and the rising price level would show. It should, however, be noted that the expansion of currency has taken place in the usual course of things mainly as a result of an expending balance of trade in our favour. As I have already pointed out, huge purchases are being made in this country on behalf of His Majesty's Government. India receives payment for these purchases in sterling which accumulates in the hands of the Reserve Bank, but as the suppliers of goods in this country have to be paid in cash, expansion of currency has to be effected against the accruing sterling resources of the bank.

INFLATIONARY TENDENCIES

The quickened industrial activities of the country, particularly for manufacture of war materials are an indication that a portion at least of the extra volume of money is being applied to the production of fresh goods which has a restraining effect on the inflationary process. Unfortunately, however, the major portion of the extra money secured to India by the war is not being utilised for such productive purposes, and if it were kept back in the hands of the recipients and used for the purchase of the dwindling volume of goods available for civilian consumption it would be extremely difficult to arrest the upward trend of prices. In such an event the country will indeed suffer from some of the worst consequences of inflation and the war-time prosperity will be found to have been established on a foundation of sands which will collapse, as soon as the unusual conditions created by the war will disappear.

LARGE-SCALE HOARDING

That Bank deposits have lagged so much behind currency expansion would tend to indicate that the public is not only carrying more cash than before, which is to be expected under present conditions, but, what would appear to be harmful, is also restoring to hoarding on a fairly large scale.

SUBSCRIBE TO WAR LOANS

One fruitful channel for the absorption of the surplus funds in the hands of the public which would also check the inflationary tendencies, is now offered by the loan requirements of Government, both for purposes of war and the successful completion of the schemes undertaken by them for the repatriation of foreign debts.

Further, in future, an increasing measure of support to Government loans will be called for to meet the increasing demands of war expenditure and thus reduce the strain on taxation. I may mention here that as a result of the British Government's war purchases in India alone, we shall be receiving in the current year about Rs. 30 crores a month. This amount should enable the public to offer very strong support to Government loans, and thus contribute towards avoiding an inflationary movement, on the one hand and relieving the pressure on taxation, on the other.

The broad facts which I have stated about India's finances should make it clear that on the financial front, India's position has so far been maintained on a very strong basis and the future prospects are also quite sound and reassuring. There is therefore no cause for panic. In every way and by every criterion, India's war finance has been shaped and directed along lines that have spread beneficial effects among all sections of the people, and for this, my esteemed colleague Sir Jeremy Raisman deserved his share of praise.—A. P.

ORISSA RICE FOR BOMBAY

Govt. To Offer Transport Facilities

SURAT, May 20.

Thirteen lakh maunds of coarse rice are available for export from Orissa now, it is learnt, the Government would be prepared to grant transport facilities to merchants who are willing to import them.

Enquiries have now been sent by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, to all the collectors of districts, urging them to find out if there is demand for this rice.—A. P.

WHOLESALE PRICE OF SUGAR IN U. P.

LUCKNOW, May 21.

A press note says:—"A notification is being published fixing the wholesale price of sugar sold in the United Provinces. The wholesale price will comprise the following items: (1) the controlled ex-factory price, (2) incidental charges, (3) freight and (4) local taxes.

A maximum of annas eight a maund has been fixed by the Sugar Controller for incidental charges, which include commission and handling charges. Under the control scheme factories will ordinarily supply sugar to areas adjacent to them. It has therefore, been decided to fix a maximum of three annas a maund for freight, except in the Districts of Aligarh, Muttra, Agra, Mainpuri, Banda, Jhansi and Jalaun.

In the case of these Districts, it has been found that an allowance of three annas a maund is insufficient and the maximum freight allowances for these Districts have been fixed at annas four and six pies a maund for Aligarh, Muttra, Agra and Jalaun Districts; Annas six and nine pies a maund for Mainpuri District; annas nine a maund for Jhanshi District, Annas eleven a maund for Banda District and the allowances fixed for incidental charges and freight have maximum charges and District Magistrates have discretion to allow lesser amounts where they consider this justified.

Local taxes will be added only where they have actually been paid on the sugar in question.—A. P.

"Japan For Japanese"

Pacific War Council Evolves New Slogan

WASHINGTON, May 21.

"Japan for the Japanese" was the new slogan evolved by today's 90-minute Pacific War Council meeting at the White House.

The Minister of New Zealand Mr. Nash, described the meeting as "The most interesting ever held" when he smilingly revealed the slogan adopted by the Council.

President Roosevelt gave the meeting details of Major-General Doolittle's bombing raid on Japan, which Lord Halifax the British Ambassador described as "A wonderful performance."

The Chinese delegate Mr. T. V Soong on the echoing of reports from Chungking pointed out that the Japanese are apparently "going to make very serious effort against China this summer". Mr. T. V. Soong added that the specific question of aid for China in answer to appeals from Chungking for more planes was not discussed at to-day's meeting, but he pointed out that the General staff is "Considering that question all the time".—Reuter.

VILLAGE DEFENCE SOCIETIES

CALCUTTA, May 21.

The Government of India, it is learnt, propose to take certain steps with a view to fostering the spirit of self-defence among the village folk.

They have suggested to Provincial Governments that village defence societies should be formed either under zemindars or village headmen in the rural areas in their respective Provinces. It has also been suggested that efforts should be made to propagate the spirit of self-defence among the people in villages by encouraging in all possible ways the existing village defence societies and by forming new societies where they do not exist at present.

Arrangements will be made by the Government of India, where possible, to provide some members of the Societies with fire arms while some other members may be exempted from the restrictions imposed by the Arms Act in regard to carrying of ordinary weapons.

Civil Defence "Drive" In Calcutta

CALCUTTA, May 21.

The view that 'civil defence' was people's own responsibility and that no scheme of such defence could succeed unless it was backed by intelligent interest, sympathy and active participation on the part of the people themselves, was expressed by the Hon. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, Minister for Civil Defence Co-ordination, inaugurating the "Civil Defence Drive" at the University Institute Hall to-day. Mr. Hem Chandra Naskar, Mayor of Calcutta presided.

During the four-day "drive", special attention would be given to bustee areas in the city.

Bengal was on the threshold of danger and as a matter of fact one town in the Province had already gone through the ordeal of enemy air raids, but the town in question, Mr. Basu said, had set an example, by its remarkable courage and endurance, for the rest of the Province to follow.

Speaking of the war as no more an object of imagination or fancy, the Mayor Mr. Naskar said that calamities had reached almost their very doors. A part of the Province had already suffered from the claws of grim air attacks, while their sister Province of Assam was entering into an ordeal of death and disaster.—A.P.

WOMEN WELFARE IN ABRAMA

SURAT, May 20.

Western methods of doing social work amongst the masses are now being taught to 50 chosen women at the women's training camp at Abrama, conducted by Mrs. Kamala Devi Chattopadhyaya. The inmates of the camp, numbering fifty, are mostly delegates of the Women's Conference or other social welfare organisations drawn from all parts of the country.

Mrs. Kamaladevi Chattopadhyaya, who recently returned from a tour of the foreign countries including Japan and America, told the press that she was trying to assimilate the best that was in the systems followed in these countries into the working of the camp. Practical instruction consists in the inmates learning to spin, soap-making, gardening, fruit preserving, kitchen work, and going out among the villagers for studies of delinquent children and incompatibility among families and suggest methods of re-aligning them to society. Theoretical instruction to the campers is provided by a galaxy of impressive speakers, who during the last two months, have delivered lectures on women's position in home and society, social environments, development of culture, economics, the future society, minority problem, birth control, personal hygiene and social psychology.—A. P.

NEW DELHI.—Petrol-rationing has been enforced in Afghanistan where Government officers, ministers and ambassadors ride bicycles or horse-driven vehicles.

MARTINIQUE AGREEMENT?

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman's Statement

WASHINGTON, May 21.

The statement by Mr. Connally, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, that the United States have worked out a satisfactory agreement for the immobilisation of merchant vessels in Martinique, has not been commented upon in State Department circles.

It should be remembered, however, that members of the Legislative Department of the Government are accustomed to express their individual views relative to public questions. Their views and attitude so expressed, as in the present case, cannot be construed as representative of the view of the executive branch of the Government.—Reuter.

FUEL OIL REMOVED FROM VICHY SHIPS

WASHINGTON, May 21

Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, said, at his press conference on Wednesday that as a first step towards the immobilisation of French ships at Martinique and Guadeloupe fuel oil was removed, and other measures were being taken to immobilise the ships fully as well as their fighting power.

Meanwhile Mr. Hull added conversations were continuing from day to-day taking different points under consideration one after another.

It is pointed out in authoritative quarters here that in his statement last Sunday M. Laval had deliberately tried to mislead public opinion regarding the future policy of the United States towards French possessions in the Western Hemisphere.

M. Laal, in a statement to the press, said Admiral Hoover who led the United States mission to Martinique threatened that if Admiral Robert, the French High Commissioner, rejected the American demands the United States Government would not be in a position to guarantee French sovereignty over the island.

Reuter learns, on high authority, that there is no questioning of the American intention to return those French possessions, at the end of the war.—Reuter

ADMIRAL ROGERT 'MERELY WARNED'

WASHINGTON, May 21.

It is learned here in authoritative quarters that Admiral Hoover who led the United States Mission to Martinique did not threaten the French High Commissioner, Admiral Robert.

Admiral Hoover it is pointed out merely warned Admiral Robert that if he rejected the United States demands for the immobilisation of ships he would not be considered by the United States Government as "the ultimate authority for the duration."

In the event of rejection by Admiral Robert of the United States demands, the United States Government would have to take charge of the French territories until after the war.—Reuter.

Hundreds Of Planes Participated In Bombing Of German Territory

LONDON, May 21.

Hundreds of aircraft formed the force which resumed the heavy attacks on Germany with a raid on Mannheim on Tuesday night, it is learned in authoritative quarters in London.

An indication of the weight of attacks to come was given when it was stated that the bombing of Germany is made by what is only the residue after all the calls on the R.A.F. have been met and that a far larger force of bombers of even 1,000 aircraft could be operated nightly on an average from Britain.

It is towards such raids that the Bomber Command is working.

It is believed that under an umbrella of over 40 Messerschmitts the cruiser "Prinz Eugen" has limped to port.—Reuter.

R. A. F. ATTACK ON ENEMY SHIPPING

LONDON, May 21.

Spitfires of the Fighter Command have this morning attacked shipping in the Dieppe-Lehavre area, it is officially stated. An E-boat which had replied to the heavy fire was stopped and left in a badly damaged condition enveloped in clouds of smoke. The pilots went on to shoot up an enemy steamer and another which they raked with fire.—Reuter.

Jawahar Repeats His Charge Against Sikandar

Impossible To Obey Fantastic Order On "Partap": Why Persist In Your Refusal Of Editors' Conference Request?

LAHORE, May 21.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has issued the following statement:

"On my return to Lahore to-day, I have seen the second statement issued by the Punjab Premier about the "Partap" case. Perhaps it is more correct to say that the statement is about me as, unfortunately, I figure more in this connection than the "Partap." I have no desire to discuss so personal matter as the subject is a distasteful one to me and, in any event, I can hardly look upon myself objectively. For all the good advice that the Premier has, quite unsolicited, given to me, I am duly grateful and I hope that I shall profit by it. It will be my misfortune if I cannot live up to the high standard that is required of those who may have to deal, directly or indirectly, with the Punjab Government's activities.

THE REAL ISSUE

But it does not really matter what I am, for individuals should not count in a discussion of a public issue. Even the "Partap", as such, has only secondary importance. The real issue was and is: how a Government should treat the press? Was the order passed on the "Partap" a proper order and is its continuance justified?

The Premier stated previously that my first statement bristled with mis-statements and, in particular, one remark was a malicious falsehood. I have carefully considered his list of such mis-statements and falsehoods. As far as I can make out, there are two mentioned by him. The first is my statement that the request made on behalf of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference was rejected by him. This, the Premier says, is incorrect because he sent a long telegram to Mr. Srinivasan.

EVIDENCE OF ITS REFUSAL

May I inquire whether it is not a fact that the request was refused and the refusal persists even now? The sending of a telegram or any negotiations that might have taken place in between do not make the slightest difference to the final fact of refusal. The fact that the order against the "Partap" still continues is itself final evidence of that refusal. I must confess that I have failed to discover anything even remotely resembling a misstatement in what I said. It is true that I did not refer to certain correspondence or negotiations. They made no difference to my final conclusion

MULTITUDE OF ERRORS & ABSURDITIES

The second mis-statement, which is also in addition said to be a malicious falsehood, is my remark that the Government demanded of the "Partap" that it should support the Government's policy. What the Government actually did was to ask the "Partap" to fall in line with the Government's policy in regard to the war. I appreciate the difference, but I am amazed that the Premier should not realise that 'policy in regard to the war' covers almost every conceivable thing that is important to-day. In war time, there is no essential difference left between a Government's general policy and its policy in regard to the war. The latter governs, or should govern, if a war is properly conducted, everything. Certainly, I was not thinking of the price of potatoes or any such matters when I wrote my first statement. I was thinking definitely of war policy and all its far reaching consequences. It covers a multitude of errors and absurdities; it is the parent of the Defence of India Act and its ugly progeny the Defence of India Rules; it leads to internments without trial; to enforced war contributions; to exhorbitant salaries and allowances to officials, and to a hundred and one other unsavoury consequences.

If this is a malicious falsehood and this is the list of mis-statements which are said to have abounded in my statements, it is obvious that the Premier's standards of public criticism and his choice of language are very different from mine.

Fantastic Order

But the real question still remains. Was the order on the "Partap" justified? I repeat that it was a fantastic order impossible to obey. This has nothing to do with what the Premier thinks of the "Partap". Every journalist and, I venture to say, every reasonable and responsible person considers the order and its continuation obnoxious. Why not deal with this matter directly instead of dealing with personalities?—A.P.

COMMUNIST DETENUS TO BE RELEASED

BAREILLY, May 21.

With the release of fifteen security prisoners by the U. P. Government, 33 detenus now remain in the Bareilly Central Prison. Of these 24 Communists are expected to be released shortly.

It is gathered that other detenus will also be transferred to Bareilly from Fatehgarh Central Prison.—A.P.

Awards For Attack On Saint Nazaire

LONDON, May 21.

Three Victoria Crosses for daring and valour in attack on the German Naval Base Saint Nazaire are announced in the London Gazette to-night.

The first goes to Commander Robert Edward Dudley Ryder of the Royal Navy, the second to Lieut. Commander Stephen Halden Beattie of His Majesty's Ship "Campeltown" and the third to able seamen William Alfred Savage.—Reuter.

Jawahar On Rajaji's "Dangerous Solution"

Talk Of "Popular" Govt. To-day Is To Accept British Raj

LAHORE, May 21.

"The step taken by Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar is detrimental to the interests of our country. It appears to me that he is breaking to pieces the weapon which the Congress has fashioned after 22 years of innumerable sacrifices", said Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru addressing a mammoth meeting held tonight.

NEXT SIX MONTHS

Pandit Nehru said: "Every member of the Congress has the right to express his opinion, but once a decision is made, we have to act upon it. If the Congress departs from this principle, it will die its own death. The country is facing a big storm. The next few months are a crucial period not only for India, but for the whole world. I cannot foretell what will happen in India during the next six months, but judging from the present events there are going to be big changes in this country.

There are two countries in the world where the world history will be written. They are India and Russia. What happens in India during the next few months will have a great effect on the world. When such changes occur we have to see what we should do. A General cannot win a war unless there is a strong army at his back to follow his orders. It is obvious that none except the Congress can face the danger. It is quite possible that the Congress may not be able to face it, if the Congress cannot do that, then there is no other party in India which can face the danger.

HELPLESS TO AID CHINA

Pandit Nehru stressed: "It was my ardent wish that India should have participated in the war. We have every sympathy with Russia and China. We have pledged our sympathy to China. It is impossible that we shall forget our promises held out to China. It is my duty that I shall not do anything which will harm China. But the question is how can I help her I am sorry to say that in spite of my ardent wish I cannot help China. It is beyond my power to help China. There can be no compromise with the present British Government. Then shall we sit idle? No, that is impossible."

DANGEROUS SOLUTION

Proceeding Pt. Nehru said: "We have been thinking all this time. Mr. Rajagopalachariar suggested a solution of our difficulties, but that is a dangerous solution. It takes away all that we have been able to build up during the last 22 years. Mr. Rajagopalachariar wants to set up a "popular" Government in Madras, but he ought to know that these are not normal times. If we express our willingness to form a Government under the British Raj at this time it would mean that we accept the British Raj which I am not prepared to do for a moment. I do not want to say that Rajaji wants to divide the Congress, but the fact is that he no longer commands the support of the Congress."

AN ASIATIC FEDERATION

Pandit Nehru pointed out that he was personally against the vivisection of India and was rather thinking of bringing about a federation of India, China, Iran and Afghanistan. He had come to the conclusion that India should never be divided and he would fight the separation issue with all the power he commanded.

But he made it perfectly clear that they could not forcibly keep

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another man with them. If the majority of the people in a particular territorial unit wanted separation, it could not be with held from them.

But there was a vast difference between him and Rajaji inasmuch as he would make every effort to prevent the division of India.

Pandit Nehru warned his countrymen not to be jubilant over the successes of the enemy. He said: "We have no right to be jubilant over the actions of others. The time for raising slogans has passed away. When two opposite armies are standing face to face, it is no use raising slogans.

Pandit Nehru explained the Congress constructive programme and exhorted the audience to act upon it.—A.P.

Weak & Difficult?
GIVE HIM A TONIC THAT IMPROVES DIGESTION, TOO

From bad to worse—that's how my son was getting. No appetite, nor interest in studies or games. His school-mates avoided his company, until a doctor friend recommended that I start him on Hemo-Drakso-Malt. "Hemo-Drakso-Malt," he said, "contains assimilable iron and Glycerophosphates and haemoglobin to build up the boy's constitution while pepsin, malt and grape juice improve *digestion*. It is the safest tonic for children."

On top of his form. The transformation was remarkable. Now my boy leads the others in the school-room and on the playfield. He eats well and sleeps well and is *not a bit* difficult to manage.
I must recommend Hemo-Drakso-Malt to my complaining husband: —may be it'll do me good too.

HEMO-DRAKSO MALT
THE DOUBLE-ACTION TONIC
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U. S. Technical Mission's Activities

Preliminary Report To Be Submitted To Viceroy To-day

'35 Recommendations Already Cabled To America: Government Organisation For Maximizing War Output Suggested

BOMBAY, Friday.

Thirty-five specific recommendations have already been cabled to Washington by the American Technical Mission, a preliminary report having been submitted to the Viceroy, to-day (Friday).

Various suggestions have been made by the Mission as to how India might adapt its governmental organisation to effect the purpose of maximizing war output.

It is understood that one of the suggestions made by the Mission is the setting up of an organisation which may be called the "War Board", with three or five members, to carry on investigations into such questions like supply, defence, transport, etc., in order to develop war potentialities.

Even after the work of the Mission in India is completed and the personnel has reached America, there is not likely to be any void. Continuity of the Mission's work may be kept up by America appointing a liaison officer who will also work as an economic adviser to the Government of India and whose office may be attached to the seat of the Government of India.

A cable is understood to have been received by the Mission indicating acceptance of the Mission's 35 recommendations and arranging to carry out some of them immediately. It is likely that the remaining recommendations will have been completely implemented by the end of May.

Investigations conducted so far by the Mission have convinced it of the necessity of increasing munition production, giving more harbour facilities and for conducting repair work, rather than launch further ship-building enterprises. An increase in productivity, it has been suggested in reliable quarters, can be only had if new plants are installed and power resources increased and pooled.

India In The Picture

The American Mission seems to have come to a definite belief that "India has come into the picture" and that the Government of India has made a good beginning. It is, however, felt that the conclusion that more can be done with the same resources plus the facilities for equipment and raw materials which the Mission has been asking in order to fill the existing gaps, is irresistible.

Dr. Henry Grady leader of the American Technical Mission, in the course of a Press release stated:—

"The Mission had planned to go to New Delhi on finishing its work in Bombay but found that by remaining there for an additional four or five days, it would write a preliminary report for the Government of India and go directly to Karachi for departure to the United States.

Preliminary Report

"The Mission spent about five weeks in India, investigating into India's war production and has visited representative plants in Bengal, Jamshedpur and Bombay that are producing munition and equipment for the armed forces. It has also had many conferences in New Delhi, Calcutta, Jamshedpur and Bombay, with Indian Government officials and industrialists. On the basis of its investigation and studies the Mission has prepared a preliminary report which it submitted to-day (Friday) to His Excellency the Viceroy.

"The mission on its return to the United States will confer with the President, the Department of State and the Board of Economic Warfare and give a report of its survey and the recommendations it has made to the Government of India. It will have a number of recommendations to make to the United States' Government in addition to the 35 specific recommendations which it cabled from Calcutta and Bombay. The Mission will then promptly prepare a comprehensive report of its work in India for the Government of India and the Government of the United States.

Augmenting War Production

"The function of the Mission was to make recommendations after investigation concerning ways and means by which the United States Government could assist in augmenting India's war production. The work of the Mission, therefore, has been directly related to the common war effort of the United Nations, and has been in no way connected with the post-war industrial and commercial problems of India.

"In transmitting the preliminary report of the Mission to His Excellency the Viceroy, the Chairman, Dr. Henry Grady, stated that the Government of India would probably not wish to publish the preliminary or final report for general distribution, because it contains a great deal of confidential information which should not be made available to the enemy. The Mission would have felt very much more restricted in its statements with regard to war needs, if it had believed that the report would be published. In his letter of transmittal, Dr. Grady added that if His Excellency the Viceroy wished to publish a summary of the report, this might not be undesirable if confidential information pertaining to the war effort was not included.

Basis Of Recommendations

"The preliminary report which the Mission has submitted to His Excellency the Viceroy, covers 25 pages of typed material and contains a number of recommendations. The recommendations made to the Government of India are based on a sympathetic and constructive approach to India's war production problems. War production has a fairly good start in India, but must be developed very much further if India is to become the arsenal of the Middle and Near East.

"The Mission's recommendations cover the problem of establishing a governmental and industrial organization for war, adequate to secure the effective co-ordination of India's production. Various suggestions have been made by the Mission as to how India might adapt its governmental organization to effect the purpose of maximizing war output. The Mission recommends no particular organization, but gives to the Government of India the various suggestions which have been made to it in this regard.

National War Production

"With the strengthening of the Government organization and the mobilization of industry so that the full conversion of peace-time production to war-time production may be brought about, with the shipment of the tools and materials which the Mission has requested by cable, and with the improvement of transport, communications, and the handling of cargo at ports, the groundwork will be laid for national war production on a considerably augmented scale. The Mission is asking the Government of India to review the plans of the military authorities with regard to quantities and types of war production in this area, not only for India but also for the other United Nations in this sector of the war front. With the determination of objectives based on current military planning the Mission will then recommend to the United States Government the sending of equipment for plant extensions and for the establishment of such new plants as the carrying out of the programme will require.

"The Mission will maintain for the time being its organization in Washington in order to carry out there its work of securing for India those things needed to make the country increasingly effective in producing materials essential to the winning of the war.

Technicians For India

There will also be sent to India on the basis of the Mission's recommendations a number of technicians and production executives who, under the direction of the Government of India, will work in the various plants and thus assist in achieving those objectives for which the Mission was sent to India.

"The Mission has received the fullest co-operation from the Government and industrialists of India. It has received many courtesies from the people of India, and is deeply grateful for these manifestations of genuine friendliness. The Mission's purpose has been to attempt to inaugurate a period of closer collaboration between India and the United States in their common aim to destroy the aggressors. The Mission feels that in general it has been able to accomplish the things for which it came. With the continued co-operation of the Government and industrialists of India the Mission believes that its efforts will bear genuine fruit."

SIR SHANMUKHAM

NEW DELHI, May 21.

The 'Associated Press' understands that Sir Shanmukham Chetty, Head of the India Purchasing Mission in America, who came to Delhi in connection with the visit of the American Technical Mission, has concluded his labours, and will be proceeding on a short leave before relinquishing his office.

The question of his successor in America is now under the consideration of the Government of India.

Sir Shanmukham will leave Delhi for Bombay on Sunday morning and thence proceed to Madras. The American Technical Mission on conclusion of their work will soon return to America.—A.P.

NEED OF BETTER INTER-COMMUNAL ATMOSPHERE

Provincial Conference In Calcutta Next Week

CALCUTTA, May 20.

Ways and means for the establishment of better relationship between the different communities in Bengal at the present crisis were discussed at a meeting of the leading citizens of Calcutta, held this evening under the Presidentship of the Nawab of Murshidabad.

The meeting decided that it would be fatal to attempt any political settlement at this stage, for such a settlement would be effective only on an All-India scale and required conditions which will not be forthcoming at present.

There was, however, a basis for joint action between the different communities on several specific points which affected immediately the safety and prosperity of the people in the province.

It was felt that co-operation and joint action on these points were not only possible but necessary and further might, through such common endeavour and team work, lead to the creation of a better atmosphere in the country.

The meeting decided that a conference under the auspices of the Hindu-Muslim Unity Association, a non-political organisation started in 1937 under the Presidentship of the Nawab of Murshidabad, should be held on the 27th and 28th of this month, and steps should be taken to ensure a programme of creating a better communal atmosphere.

A reception committ was formed to organise the proposed conference with the following members:—Sir Manmathanath Mukherji, the Hon'ble Mr Justice Toric Ameer Ali, the Hon'ble Dr. Syama Prasad Mookerjee, the Hon'ble Mr Shamsuddin Ahmed, Sir A H. Ghuznavi, M. L. A., Mr. Hemchandra Naskar, Mayor of Calcutta, Mr. Nur Mahammad Elias, Mr. Ramananda Chatterjee, Dr. P N. Banerjea, M. L. A., the Hon'ble Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, Dr R. Ahmed Mr A. K. M. Zakariah, Mr. Nausher Ali, Mr Mrinal Kanti Bose, Dr. Nalinaksha Sanyal, Mr. P. N Brahma and Mr A. C. Dutta.

Mr. H Kabir and Mr. B. K. Bose were elected Joint Secretaries with Mr. C F Ali as Assistant Secretary

All correspondence in this connection will be received at the office of the committee at 7, old Post Office Street.—A P

GOVT. SECURITIES

Bombay, May 21

2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 94/14
3 1/2 per cent G P Notes 90/15
3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 96/4
3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 97/6
3 per cent 1963-65 90/8
4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 104/10
4 per cent 1943 Bonds 101/13
3 per cent War Bonds 100/6
3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 101/4
4 1/2 per cent 1955 Loan 109

TAX FREE LOANS

5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 106/15
4 per cent 1953-65 Mysore 113
5 per cent 1965 Mysore 122

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4 per cent B P T 1947 100/8
4 per cent M Deb 1947 104/8
5 per cent M Deb 1959 111
6 per cent M Deb 1954 121
5 per cent K P T 1956 117

Tone —Steady

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 21

LONDON :—
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 9/32 Two months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Three months
Banks buying 90 days/St 1/6 5/16 Four months
B C Rates: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16
Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32
Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 5/32
NEW YORK :—
Banks selling T T Rs 332 3/4: D D Rs 332 3/4
Banks buying T T Rs 329 1/2: D D Rs 326 1/2
MONTREAL :—
Banks selling T T Rs 302 1/2: D D Rs 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs 297 3/4: D D Rs 294 3/4
BERNE :—
Banks selling T T Fcs 126 3/4: D D nil
Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2: D D nil
STOCKHOLM :—
Banks selling T T K 123: D D K 123
Banks buying T T K 128: D D K 128
MEXICO :—
Banks selling T T Rs 67.27: D D Rs 66.27
Banks buying T T Rs 63.04: D D Rs 62.04
LISBON :—
Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nominal: D D Esc 7.35 nominal
Banks buying T T Esc 7.55: D D Esc 7.55
AUSTRALIA :—
Banks selling T T 1/10 3/8: D D 1/10 3/8
Banks buying T T nil: D D 1/11 3/8
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Steady
Gold £8-8-0 Ready
New York Silver 35 1/8
London Silver 23 1/2 Ready: 23 1/2 Forward
London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent
London Discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money: Call 1/4 per cent
1 month 1/2 per cent
2 months 3/4 per cent
3 to 5 months 1 per cent
Tone :—Easy

Calcutta Share Bazar

CALCUTTA, May 21.

The Stock Exchange continued steady but business was rather limited. Government Securities continued quiet but steady. Government Securities :—Three per cent Defence Bonds (1946) 100/10 small lot; Three and half per cent Government Paper 90/11; Five per cent Loan (1945/55) 106/15 small lots.

Banks :—Imperial Bank Conty 358.

Jutes :—Auckland Pref 120; Budge Budge 132 small lot; Hooghly Pref 17/3; Howrah (A Pref) 121 c div; New Central Pref 10; Nuddea 58 c div.

Mining :—Indian Copper 1/11.

Eng Companies :—Burn and Co (six per cent Pref) 110 do (seven per cent Pref) 131; Indian Iron and Steel 23/4: Steel Corpn. Ords 14/6; Do Pref 100.

Sugar Share :—Raza 28.

Tea Shares :—Amluckie Ord 78: Do Pref 225: Dauracherra 14: Ethelbari 12: Hantapara 430; Rydak 64

SIR SIKANDER ON NEHRU'S STATEMENT

LAHORE, May 21.

Sir Sikander Hyatkhan in the course of a press statement denies Pt. Nehru's charge that "Pratap" was forced to follow the policy chalked out by the Punjab Government. Releasing a telegram addressed to Mr. Srinivasan, the premier affirms that the Press Advisory Committee was consulted but the opinion was divided. Also the Provincial P. A. C. was given the above telegram. He further characterises the statement of Pandit Nehru as incorrect and one-sided."

Coimbatore Mills To Increase Dearness Allowance

COIMBATORE, May 21.

In view of the recent further increase in the cost of 'living index' the Southern India Millowners' Association has resolved to recommend to member mills to increase the present dearness allowance of 12-1/2 per cent or two annas in the rupee to 18-3/4 per cent or three annas in the rupee. —A.P

Supply Of Quinine To China

NEW DELHI, May 21.

Five million tablets of quinine have been given by the Government of India to the Chungking Government. Half the quantity has already been despatched and the other half is being sent.

This follows the visit of General Jolly, Director-General of the Indian Medical Service to Chungking and China's efforts for self-sufficiency in medical supplies.

A food thrift movement has been started throughout China and brewing liquors prohibited in order to conserve wheat, rice and other cereals.—United Press.

H. H. the Maharaja Scindia has sanctioned Rs 15,475 for providing relief to the inhabitants of the villages of Bagh (Sardarpur district) and Bamori (Guna district), who have been rendered homeless by fires that broke out there recently.

Latest Commercial

COTTON

JULY
New York, May 21.
Previous closing 19.28
To-day's opening 19.22
Difference ..... —06
To-day's closing ..... not received

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 21.

Following are the New York opening ranges:—
July (19.34/34) 19.22/21
October (19.59/58) 19.46/45
December (19.71/71) 19.57/56

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, May 21

SEEDS
Castorseeds Bombay May/June (£20 5/8 sellers) £20 5/8 sellers
Linseed Calcutta May/June (unquoted) unquoted
Linseed La Plata May/June (£20 1/2 quoted) £20 1/2 quoted
Groundnuts Coromanda) May/June (East Coast India shipment not quoted West Coast India shipment (£20 7/8 sellers) £20 7/8 sellers

LONDON METALS
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No 3 (151 sh) 131 sh

EXCHANGE:

CROSS RATES

T T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York, May 21.
Previous closing 4.03 3/4
To-day's opening 4.03 3/4

T T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London, May 21.
Previous closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's opening 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers
To-day's closing 4.02 1/2 sellers: 4.03 1/2 buyers

LONDON BULLION

London, May 21
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0

LONDON SILVER

London, May 21.
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers) 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-5 31/32 buyers
New York on Bombay (30.36) 30.36

DISCOUNTS

3 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
4 months (1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent) 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent
6 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, May 21.

The New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—
General Motors (dol 34 1/4) dol 34 1/2
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 22 3/4) dol 23 1/8
United States Steel Commons (dol 45 1/4) dol 44 1/4
United States Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 102 1/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 21

The Stock Exchange was brighter.

3½ PER CENT STERLING LOAN

London, May 21.
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £101 3/8

AUSTRALIAN LOAN

London, May 21
5 per cent 1955/65 £101

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent British Consols £32 15/16
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan £107 1/16
2 per cent Conversion Loan £99 15/16
4 per cent Funding Loan £114 3/4
3 1/2 per cent War Loan £104 7/8
3 per cent War Loan £101 9/16
4 per cent Victory Bonds £114 3/16

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors 17-3
Marks and Spencer Ordinary 35-4 1/2
Electric Music Industry 14-9
Princhin Johnson 22-10 1/2
Imperial Chemical 33-7 1/2
Woolworth Ordinary 52-4 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rate £78
Dundee 26-4 1/2
Unilever Ordinary 25-3
Ford Motors 24-9
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary £58
British American Tobacco Ordinary £4-0
Carreas 'A' £5 5/16
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary £6 7/32
P and O Defd 27-7 1/2
Distillers 76-0
Brefforis Dyes 7-4 1/2
British Celanese 8-1 1/2
J and P Coates 34-9
Courtaulds Ordinary 34-1 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners 8-3
Vickers Limited Ordinary 16-9
Inter Nickel dol 38 3/4
Indian Iron 35-0

TEA SHARES

Assam 11-10 1/2
Donaro Tea 21-3
Empire of India 13-1 1/2

JUTE

Barnagore £5

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo-Dutch Rubber 9-3
Gula Kelampong 8-1 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust 13-3

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug 14-4 1/2
Burma Corporation 3-3
Rio Tintos £7 3/4
East Rand Properties £1 13/16
Rand Mines £6 5/16

MINE SHARES

Crown £8 3/8
Associated Portland Cement 47-6
Trinidad Leasehold 68-1 1/2
Sub-Nigel £6
Spring Mines Split Share £ 1 1/32
Union Corporation 135-0

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian 36-10 1/2
Anglo-India 44-4 1/2
Burma Oil £1 23/32
Mexican Eagle 10-9
Shell Transport £2 5/16
Royal Dutch £16-0

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary £43 1/4
London Midland Ordinary £19 5/8
London North Eastern Defd £1 3/4
London Southern Defd £15 5/8
London Transport 5 per cent £130
London Transport 'C' £40 1/2

Ahmedabad Share Market Dispute

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, May 21.

The Ahmedabad Share Market dispute is likely to go to court as several brokers have decided to file a suit against the directors of the board for decision of compulsory delivery.

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FURTHER LIQUIDATION ON N. Y. COTTON EXCHANGE

Subsidy Payments To Continue

REPORTED SPLIT IN FARM BLOC

Bombay, May 21

On Wednesday, the New York cotton market was again easy on increased selling. The market was nervous about the reported split in the Farm Bloc about selling Government's wheat and maize below parity price for livestock feed. It is argued that the plan might be extended to cotton especially to encourage consumption of cotton of low grades. The agitation in the South to increase authorised cotton acreage this year by two million acres seems belated.

NEW YORK MARKET

The New York cotton market sagged on liquidation and New Orleans and local selling induced by Secretary Hull statement indicating that victory may be sooner than expected and the Senate Committee approval of legislation empowering the Reconstruction Finance Corporation and the Commodity Credit Corporation to make subsidy payments for the purposes of holding down prices. The market closed steady.

At the opening July was quoted one point up at 19.34 and improved to 19.37 which was the highest level. Thereafter there was increased selling and July declined to 19.24 which was the lowest level for the day. The market closed at a net decline of 5 to 10 points. Spot cotton prices declined 6 points at 20.83c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was quiet on increased selling and closed at a decline of 8 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices were reduced 7 points at 19.65c. per lb.

LOCAL SITUATION

Messrs. Anandilal Podar and Co state: On Wednesday, cotton opened somewhat easier than expected. Moderate buying by exporters and Share Bazaar operators improved prices but soon relapsed on heavy realising by professionals and hedging by spot holders on reports of threatening labour situation in Ahmedabad. Ready market reported a moderate demand from Liverpool, mostly for cheap old crop styles. Shares shot up on highly encouraging cloth market reports and the permission for jobbers in cash section on weekly settlement basis but met with appreciable realising by stale longs. Seeds and wheat were steady but met with heavy upcountry realising. Absence of rumours has led to return of many Bombayites from up-country.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest (10-35 a.m.) ..... 19.37+04
New York July lowest (1-41 p.m.) ..... 19.24—09

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Market eased on long liquidation and local selling

NEW YORK COTTON

	New York May 20
July	19.28—05
October	19.50—07
December	19.63—06
January	19.67—08
March	19.78—09
May	19.88—10
Middling Spot	20.83—06

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

	New York May 20
July	19.28—08
October	19.71—07
December	19.83—08
January	19.85—08
March	20.00—06
May	20.11—05
Middling Spot	19.69—07

NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL

	New York May 20
July	19.31
October	19.56
December	19.69

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay, May 21

Groundnuts May—			
Opening	49	12	0
Highest	50	0	0
Lowest	49	8	0
Closing	49	10	0
Groundnuts August—			
Opening	50	12	0
Highest	50	15	0
Lowest	50	0	0
Closing	50	6	0
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	25	13	0
Highest	26	0	0
Lowest	25	13	0
Closing	25	13	0
Cottonseeds September—			
Opening	27	1	0
Highest	27	1	0
Lowest	26	15	0
Closing	26	15	0
Castorseeds September—			
Opening	47	10	0
Highest	47	14	0
Lowest	47	8	0
Closing	47	14	0

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BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 21

Despite a decline of 5 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened steady at Rs. 185/8 for Broach J/A delivery against expected opening at Rs 184. There was moderate professional selling and prices declined to Rs. 184 but scattered covering appeared and prices reacted to Rs. 185 The Prices improved to Rs. 185/8 when the demand was satisfied and prices reacted to Rs. 185. The market was listless and dull and in the absence of any important business, there was no change in quotations. Towards the close option dealers were active and supported the market and prices advanced to Rs 186 and finally closed at 4-30 p.m. as under :—

BROACH April/May	Rs	177	0 0
BROACH July/August		185	0 0
OOMRA May		159	12 0
OOMRA July		166	12 0
BENGAL May		146	0 0
BENGAL July		148	0 0

COTTON ROOM RATES

Bombay, May 21

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Bengal U P		154	151	148	145
M G Punjab		154	151	148	145
M G Rajputana		160	157	154	151
M G Oomra No. 3	167	164	161	158	
M G C P No. 1	195	192	189	186	
M G C P No. 2	179	176	173	170	
M G Broach No. 2		185	182	179	176
M G Punjab-American		255	252	249	246
M G Surat		330	327	324	321
M G Rajpipla		325	322	319	316
M G Navsari		335	332	329	326

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 21

	Old.	Ready
Bengal Fine	125-30	148/51
Berar	135-40	161/64
C P 1	148-50	184/89
C P. 2	135 4	171/74
Khandesh	110-20	.....
Muglai	125-30	.....
Broach	130-35	179/82
Broach Low	120-25	.....

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, May 21

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.

	Yesterday.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	.....	77,710	97,964
Central India	.....	26,980	136,453
Barsi and Nagar	.....	53,090	111,741
Hyderabad/Gaorani	.....	16,804	43,335
Berar	.....	177,177	361,203
Central Provinces	.....	87,465	75,524
Total Oomras	.....	442,226	826,493
Dholeras	.....	30,899	86,338
N W Provinces	.....	1,425	1,306
Rajputana	.....	402	5,496
Sind-Punjab	243	405,473	506,855
Broach	.....	315,468	254,998
Coompta & Dharwar	.....	18,797	88,950
Westerns-Northerns	508	13,676	77,291
Cocanada	.....	.....	339
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	.....	12,251	2,720

Arrived by road to 14th May 1942 ..... 22,500 282,122

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 21

Copper sheets lb. 21, Rs. 133 28 126 35 126 42 124 49-56 122

Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 110 24 104 28 103 35 100 42 94 49-56 92

Spelter 'P.H.' Rs. 78 Rosita Rs 75 Country make Rs. 60 Pigiead 'B.M.' Refined Rs. 39 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Penang Rs. 115 per qr

SETTLEMENT RATES

Copper sheets Asbad Rs. 126/8

Market tone:—Firm.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay, May 21

Linseed May	9	12	9
Linseed September	7	7	6
Wheat May	8	8	3
Wheat September	6	4	9

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, May 21

Yesterday. London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 3/4 at New York.

London Spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23 1/2d. New York Spot silver was also unchanged at 35 1/8 cents. London Bombay forward spot silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3. The local market was quiet to-day with increased selling. It appears that with improved war outlook, there is no demand and speculative holdings are being unloaded. Quotations were as under:

GOLD

	Rs.		
Ready	48	6	0
First Jeth	48	4	0
Sovereigns	36	15	0

SILVER

Ready	81	4	0
First Jeth	78	4	0

LONDON SILVER

London, May 20

Spot	23	1/2
Forward	23	1/8

LONDON GOLD

London, May 20

Gold Bars Fine per ounce £8-8-0

COTTON PARITY

Broach July/August below New York July 1.221 cent points at Exchange 331.

WALL STREET MARKET

New York, May 20

	Dollars.	
Electric Bond and Share dol 5 Pfd	44	1/2
Electric Power and Lt Pfd	21	
American Telephone & Telegraph	114	1/2
Western Union Telegraph	26	1/2
New York Central R R	7	
New York Central and Hudson River R R 5 per cent 2013	53	1/2
Union Pacific	71	
N Y Chicago and St. Louis 6 per cent Pfd	42	
U S Steel	44	3/8
Crucible Steel	26	
Bethlehem Steel	53	
Texas Corporation	32	
Chesapeake and Ohio	30	
International Harvestor	45	
Montgomery Ward	28	
Westinghouse Electric	69	
Anaconda Copper Mining	22	3/4
Int Nickel of Canada	26	
Chrysler Motors	57	
General Motors	34	1/4
Eaton Manufacturing	26	
Sears Roebuck	46	1/2
Dupont de Nemours	109	
Socony	6	3/4
National City Bank of N Y	22	
Chase Bank	23	
Australia 5 per cent 1955	62	
St. Oil of New Jersey	35	
General Foods	38	
John Manville	52	
Phillips Morris	63	1/2
Homestake Mining	29	1/2

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, May 21

Yarn No. 6 1/2s June 198 August 200
Yarn No. 10 1/2s June 212 August 214
Yarn No. 20 1/2s June 314 August 317
Yarn No. 40s June 450 August 450

Quotations for 6 1/2s, 10 1/2s and 40s are nominal.

TATA HYDRO-ELECTRIC AGENCIES LTD.

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for The Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd., The Andhra Valley Power Supply Co. Ltd., and The Tata Power Company, Limited, report that the total electrical (Board of Trade) units generated were as follows:—

20th Week (ended May 20th)—

1940	15,785,900
1941	19,219,500
1942	16,861,200
Total for 20 Weeks (1st January to date)—	
1940	262,857,620
1941	362,846,500
1942	363,279,175

BOMBAY STOCK EXCHANGE

Scattered Liquidation

Bombay, May 21

After yesterday's bright performance, the local market was somewhat quiet with scattered selling. There was again restricted business but the sharp rise registered yesterday found no followers and quotations were slightly lower. The market was dull and featureless. However in view of free jobbing the market is expected to show increased price movement. Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 1430 in cash and at Rs. 1490 in forward but trading was limited.

On Wall Street market, small gains were fairly well distributed early and then trends became mixed. The brisk rise in American Telephone after the declaration of its regular quarterly dividend exercised no stimulus and most of the other leaders lost a little ground. The softness of those issues closely identified with war production served to keep alive talk of the prospects of an early peace. U. S. Steel shares declined 7/8 at 44 3/8. Anaconda Copper shares declined 1/8 at 22 3/4 and General Motors closed 1/4 higher at 34 1/4 dollars.

TEXTILES

Bombay, May 21

100 Ahmedabad Advance 310; 250 Bombay Dyeing 1110; 100 Century 399; 100 Central India 339; 100 Colaba 172; 100 Coorla 130; 250 Dawn 710; 250 David 300; 1 E. D. Sassoon Defd 2/12; 100 Finlay 190; 100 Gokak 244; 1000 Hindustan 2300; 100 Indore 300; 100 Khatau 257/8; 100 Kohinoor 452; 250 Laxmi 730; 100 Madhusudan 320; 100 Morarji 477/8; 250 Model 215; 50 Mysore 131/4; 300 New Great 265; 100 Podar 181/4; 100 Phoenix 385; 25 Sassoon Silk 80; 1000 Sholapur 5610; 50 Simplex 194/8; 100 Swadeshi 395; 100 Swan 180; 500 Vishnu 1525; 1000 Western 1580

BANKS

50-100 Baroda 112/8; 25-50 Central India 44/12; 500 Imperial 1540; 125-50 Imp Cont 367/8; 50-100 India 138/8; 100 Reserve Bank 101/8; 5 Union 6/2.

CEMENTS

100 Associated 161/4

INSURANCE

15-75 New India 46/4; 100 Empire 700; 15-100 Jupiter 13/4; 20 Mercantile 60; 200 Oriental 3515; 10-50 Vulcan 9/10.

ELECTRIC

100 Ahmedabad Gold 175; 1000 Andhra Valley 1506; 10 Ajmer 13/6; 50 Bombay Trams 129; 100 Bombay Suburban 162/8; 10 Broach 14; 100 Karachi 187/8; 100 Poona 215; 100 Surat 182/8; 100 Tata Hydro 161; 1000 Tata Power 1400.

RAILWAYS

500 Ahmedabad Prantij 890; 100 C. Province 105/12; 100 Dhond Baramati 104/4; 100 Gujarat 103; 100 Mandra Bhon 101; 100 Pachora Jamner 94/8; 100 Sara Sirajganj 96.

MININGS

9 Burma Corporation 1/12; 2sh Indian Copper 14/14; 10 Indian Iron and Steel 23/15; 10 Shivrajpur 32/8; 10 Mukund Iron 13/15; 30 Tata Steel Defd 1477/8; 75 Tata Stee! Ord 227; 10 Steel Corporation 14/4.

MISCELLANEOUS

100 Alcock 440; 10 Air Services 3; 50 Belapur Sugar 240; 200 Bombay Safe Deposit 650; 250 Bombay Steam 325; 125 B Burma 217/8; 50 Contributory 68/12; 5sh Br. B. Petrol 1/6; 100 Indian Bleaching 161; 50 Ind. Invest Trust 45; 100 Indian Radio Defd 360; 100 Indian Radio Ord 342/8; 100 Port Canning 79/4; 30 Premier Construction 113; 15 Scindia 18/6; 25 Tata Oil 48/8; 24 Tata Chemical 16; 100 Wimco 217/8.

PREFERENCE

7 per cent Vishnu 715; 7 per cent Andhra Valley 1502; 6 per cent Bombay Steam 317/8; 7 per cent Bombay Tram (T.F.) 76; 5 per cent Central India (T.F.) 675; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 1st 118; 6 1/4 per cent Premier Construction 2nd 109; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 142; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Power 1545; 6 per cent Tata Steel 1st 190; 7 1/2 per cent Tata Steel 2nd 126/8.

DEBENTURES

4 per cent Andhra Valley Deb 100/4; 4 per cent Bombay Telephone 48; 5 per cent Morarji 102/8; 4 per cent Tata Power Deb 105/8 5 per cent Sholapur 71/8.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 21

The improvement seen yesterday on the market was fairly well maintained to-day. Tata Deferreds touched 1440 declining later to 1425. Tata Ordinaries improved to 285 but closed at 283. Bombay Dyeings hovered around 110o. Indian Irons were quoted at 23-14.

The following were the important quotations on the Exchange, to-day:

Tata Deferreds (1430) 1430 1440 1430 1435 1425
Tata Ordinaries (282) 280 285 282 284 283
Tata Ordinary 283; Tata Deferred 1425; Indian Iron 23/14; Steel Corpn of Bengal 14/14; Bombay Dyeing 1105; Central India 338/12; Century 398/2; Gokak 248/12; Kohinoor 450; Simplex 194; Andhra Valley 1540; Tata Hydro 160/10; Tata Power 1440; Associated Cement 161/8; Belapur 238/12; Bombay Burma (old) 208/12.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 20

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£ 61 1/2
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	£101 3/8
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	£ 82 7/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	£107
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	£104 13/16
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90	£114 3/4
Victory bonds 4 per cent	£114 1/4
Chartered Bank of I A and China	£ 6 3/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	£ 57
National Bank of India	£ 25 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 20

T T London on:—
New York sellers 4.02 1/2 buyers 4.03 1/2
Madrid official 40.5 voluntary rate 46.55
Montreal sellers 4.43 buyers 4.47
Zurich sellers 17.3 buyers 17.4
Stockholm sellers 16.85 buyers 16.95

LONDON WHEAT

London, May 20

Rozario Santa fe May/June quoted .. 24/9
Barletta Russo May/June quoted 24/9
Australian Wheat May/June quoted .. 28

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 20

Broach April/May highest 178 lowest 176 closing 176 1/4
Broach July/August highest 187 1/2 lowest 184 closing 184 1/4
Oomra May highest 159 lowest 156 1/2 closing 159
Oomra July highest 167 lowest 165 1/2 closing 166 1/2
Bengal May highest, lowest and closing not quoted.
Bengal July highest 146 1/2 lowest 146 closing 146 1/2

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, May 21

Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	96	0 0
Copper sheets	Rs.	124	0 0

Tone:—Steady.

Fever Diet In Hospitals

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Observations have led to important conclusions about the effect of fevers on the body. The characteristic symptoms—high temperature, headache, parching heat alternating with chills—are evidence that muscle and nerve tissues are being attacked by fever poisons. The exhausting effect of these poisons presents a grave problem—as the patient is usually incapable of digesting solid food. The problem is solved by Horlicks. Tests show that Horlicks provides maximum nourishment which can be assimilated without strain. It rapidly rebuilds wasted tissues, restores strength and shortens convalescence. Many leading hospitals are including Horlicks in the dietary of malaria and other fever cases.

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Comedy & Music In Foreign Films

Martha Raye in "Hellzapoppin" at Regal.

'HELLZAPOPPIN' COMES TO REGAL

Fine Star-Studded Musical Of High Order

"Hellzapoppin", modestly described the greatest smash bang, eye-filling, tune-filled show to hit New York in a dozen years, has reached the screen with the original stars. Olsen and Johnson plus Martha Raye, Hugh Herbert Mischa Auer, Jane Frazee and Robert Paige.

"Released by Universal, the Jules Leavey Mayfair production boasts many new song hits composed for the picture. Singing and dancing chouruses together with a score of unexpected innovation are declared to surpass the many highlights of the great Broadway success.

Included in the tune list are "watch the Birdie" sung by Martha Raye and The Six Hits, "You were There" sung by Jane Frazee and chorus, "Heaven For Two" warbled by Jane Frazee and Robert Paige and the Martha Raye number, "What Kind of Love Is This".

Among other spectacle sequences will be the colourful presentation of the Olive Hatch Water Ballet.

Olsen and Johnson, of course, play their own crackpot, screwball, any, selves just as they did in the New York play, and Miss Raye has the role of an overgrown kiddie vaudeville player.

The Sunday morning show will be the same at evening prices.

"Beau Geste" At Opera House

"Beau Geste" the memorable novel by P. C. Wren presenting the classic story of a trio of brothers whose loyalty to each other endures through amazing adventures in the French Foreign Legion will be shown at Opera House on Sunday morning at 10 a. m. at reduced admission prices. Gary Cooper, Ray Milland, Robert Preston and Brian Donlevy head the cast.

SUNDAY SHOW AT METRO

On Sunday May 24, at 10 a. m. Greer Garson and Laurence Olivier in "Pride and Prejudice" a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture.

'LOUISIANA PURCHASE' AT EXCELSIOR

Music, Melody And Songs Of Quality

"Louisiana Purchase", the New Paramount Technicolour film comes to Excelsior to-day (Friday) starring Bob Hope, Vera Zorina and Victor Moore.

Featuring the tunes by Irving Berlin which were standouts in the stage production, the new film was produced in Hollywood by the same Buddy De Sylva who wrote the original story and produced the Broadway version. The film version was directed by Irving Cummings, who has shown many times in the past his superior talents as a director of Technicolour films and musicals.

When "Louisiana Purchase" was exhibiting its merry attractions on the Broadway stage and, later, leaving a trail of laughs and melodies in the wake of its road show itinerary, it was hailed for the feminine beauties who made frequent and striking appearances.

Hollywood is not to be outdone in this direction, and so it is a pleasure to report that the cast is graced by the Louisiana Lovelies, who are said to be the most gorgeous showgirls ever corralled for celluloid. Coast scouts report that everyone of them is a knockout to be groomed for stardom because not only are they beautiful but talented as well, which is an unbeatable combination.

"Louisiana Purchase" comes to the screen with lovely Zorina in her original stage role and Victor Moore continuing in films the same comedy character part that made Broadway audiences and audiences all over the country howl at the mere sight of his comical face and his somewhat awkward, naive gestures. Here we have two expert performers whom we know can be depended on for a solid delivery of entertainment.

'THE MAN WHO CAME TO DINNER' AT METRO

Bette Davis And Anne Sheridan Starred

Imagine Bette Davis, Ann Sheridan, four penguins, the only bearded co-ed star in Hollywood, a mummy case, the biggest nose in movies an octopus and a giant tree piled high with Christmas gifts and you'll have some idea of the goings on in the picture called "The Man Who Came To Dinner," which is now running at Metro.

Monty Woolley is the bearded star, and it is he who creates the havoc in a perfectly blissful family, when, invited to dinner, he slips on an icy porch and breaks his hip.

Confined to his chair, Monty makes his stay to dinner something to be remembered. For one thing, it lasts four weeks, but it also involves sending the family upstairs, forbidding them to use their phone while he calls the world over and urges their children to elope and hop freighters Singapore-bound. And he fills the house with the strangest people.

Bette Davis, in "The Man Who Came To Dinner" plays a deadpan, satirical secretary. But this is one picture in which she falls in love, stays in love and actually is alive at the end to get her man and presumably live happily ever after.

"Her man" is her own find, Richard Davis, six-two, big and blond. She saw him in a service short and couldn't help crying, 'That's for me"!

Bette Davis in "The Man who Came to Dinner" at Metro.

'ALOMA OF THE SOUTH SEAS' AT CAPITOL

Dorothy Lamour And Jon Hall Starred

"Aloma of the South Seas" opened with an exiciting splash of colour, song and beauty at Capitol last night. Co-starring Dorothy Lamour and Jon Hall in the Polynesian, Technicoloured romance, Paramount Pictures did an outstanding job of filming multitints of tropical foliage the blue Pacific with its golden beaches and the fire spitting eruption of a sacred volcano.

Against a background of native life and Tahitin pageantry, the two stars who scored a record-breaking hit four years ago in "The Hurricane" look like a gentle breeze. For in thrill, there is nothing to compare with their plight when a monster volcano begins to belch steaming lava and winds up hurling most of the island into space.

Dorothy Lamour as the exotic Aloma is more bewitching and attractive than any advertisement that ever lured a tourist to visit the South Seas. Jon Hall plays the part of the island prince as if born a member of the islands royalty. From the way in which Philip Reed does his stuff as the savage native beavy, no one would ever suspect him of being a Brooklyn boy who made good.

The Sunday morning show is the same.

"The Sea Wolf" At Palace

"The Sea Wolf", Warner Bros. picturization of the famous novel by Jack London, is at Palace this week with Edward G. Robinson, Ida Lupino and John Garfield in the stellar roles. The power and fury of the raging sea surged from Jack London's pen as he wrote this famous novel, and the film has translated that power and fury into the most dramatic and thrilling screen entertainment of the season.

The picture for the morning show at the Palace for this Sunday is "Captains Courageous" starring Freddie Bartholomew and Spencer Tracy.

Missile Hurled At C. R. In Meeting

Throws Himself Defiantly In Front Of Crowd

"If I Were Afraid, How Could I Oppose Japs"? He Says To Opponents

MADURA, May 20.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari addressed a public meeting attended by nearly 30,000 people at Tamkam Park this evening which was marred by an incident at the close of the proceedings when following demonstrations and raising of anti-Pakistan slogans, a missile was thrown at him.

Mr. Rajagopalachari at once stepped into the crowd in front of the dais declaring, "You want to attack me? come on, here I am. You cannot suppress me by these threats. If I am to be afraid of you how am I to face Japanese aggressors if they come?"

Coming back to the dais Mr. Rajagopalachari exhorted the audience not to be upset by the incident and not to give way to fear on his account. "If they want to have a bout with me, I am not afraid" he declared.

He then left the meeting escorted by Messrs. Sambamurti Vaidyanatha Iyer and others and a cordon of volunteers.

In the course of his speech Mr. Rajagopalachari explained his proposal for a Congress-League settlement and said, "Resist all aggression. The resistance would be effective only if the people stand united. Let not our anger against Britain for the past record against India blind us to the supreme need of the hour, namely defending the motherland from new dangers."

Mr. Rajagopalachari who is staying at the residence of Mr. A. Vaidyanatha Iyer, President, Tamilnad Harijan Sevak Sangh, had talks with a number of Congressmen and others earlier in the afternoon.—A. P.

C. R.'S CAMPAIGN

Counter-Propaganda To Be Undertaken

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, May 21.

Several members of Congress Working Committee do not view with satisfaction Sjt. Rajagopalachari's activities since he resigned from the Committee. It is now clear that Committee will officially undertake to start counter-propaganda against his (Rajagopalachariar's) theories. Mr. J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary has decided to write a series of articles in the newspapers examining the position.

Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru's proposed visit to Madras obviously has the same mission. Mr. Kripalani has written two articles hitherto.

Number of cases of cutting telephone wires is reported to have taken place at Allahabad recently. In one case railway telephone communications were cut.

In another case it is stated that telephone wires over a length of about 400 yards were clipped and removed.

ARTHUR MOOR LEAVES FOR CHUNGKING

CALCUTTA, May 21.

Mr Arthur Moor, the Editor of the "Statesman", has left India for Chungking.—A. P.

Last Link Between Vichy And British Empire Severed

OTTAWA, May 21.

The Canadian Government's request that French consular offices and agencies in Canada be closed does not mean breach of diplomatic relations between Canada and the Vichy Government.

Mr. Mackenzie King said however, that present conditions had reduced the duties of consular offices so that they rendered little service and had become objects of suspicion. It was thought advisable to ask the French Minister in Ottawa to take action and close them.

French consular offices are situated in Vancouver, Winnipeg, Quebec, Montreal and French Agencies are situated in Halifax, Toronto, Edmonton and Calgary.

This slender diplomatic link between Ottawa and the Vichy Government is the last between the Petain regime and the British Empire.—Reuter.

GOERING WARNS GERMANS

Further Hardships Ahead: Calls Down Almighty's Blessings On Hitler!

BERLIN, May 21.

Goering in one of the most revealing speeches yet made by a Nazi leader warned German workers on Wednesday night that further hardships lay ahead.

He declared, "This is the hardest war Germany has had to fight. The winter campaign has been terrible. Behind us was only a heap of ruins, therefore we had to hold the front.

I speak to you now that spring is here so that you may understand that sometimes one must be harsh and that harshness is the only way to achieve triumphs.

Three extremely hard winters are behind us. The elements have not been kind to us. Last year's harvest was bad. Now we need rain."

Goering hinted at discontent on the home front when he urged, "Do not always believe everything that is said. Our war decrees were not issued merely to make life more difficult for you. Even if some things do not appear important, they must be observed. We must become harder and harder until victory is won."

Goering concluded by lauding the Fuehrer declaring, "The Almighty has blessed us with the Fuehrer. Only the German people has such a Fuehrer."

He concluded by calling down the blessing of the Almighty on Hitler.—Reuter.

Anti-Jap Propaganda Squads

PREPARATION OF SONGS, PLAYLETS AND WALL NEWSPAPERS TO ROUSE PEOPLE TO ACTION

NEW DELHI, May 21.

At the All-India Writers' Conference in Delhi on Wednesday, it was decided to issue immediately a series of pamphlets explaining the tasks facing the people in view of the impending Japanese attack on India.

It was further resolved to prepare songs, playlets and wall newspapers and to organize Anti-Japanese propaganda squads of progressive writers to rouse the people to action.

Mr. Shen Shi-Hua, the Chinese Commissioner in India, in a message to the conference said that things are at stake in the present war and declared, "This war must be fought and victory must be won. If therefore, there is any among your people, any faint-hearted person who is not fully alive to this bounden duty at this critical hour, it behoves you, as the cream of the intelligentsia, to enlighten and exhort him till he, too, exerts his utmost in contributing his share in the common effort.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in a message to the Conference says:—

This war has demonstrated afresh that in every country, Nationalism is still the most powerful urge. This fact can never be forgotten and it can only be ignored at peril. But to those who think clearly, Nationalism by itself is a narrow creed and leads to no solution. It must be tagged on to Internationalism and to a correct appreciation of world happenings. But that internationalism will fail of its purpose unless it is rooted deeply in that irrepressible urge of the people in every country that is called Nationalism.

India stands to-day on the edge of a sharp sword; on the one side is an Imperialism which she detests and which she will on no account tolerate. On the other side, is an advancing Fascism full of peril to her and to the world. It is a difficult position, but it is clear that she cannot and must not submit in thought or action to this Fascist invasion. Ultimately, she must rely on her own strength, for there is no hope for those who rely on others."

FRESH APPROACHES OF N. W. FRONT

Public Contact Through Stage And Screen

BOMBAY, May 21.

An outline of the different methods of propaganda and publicity which are being adopted by the National War Front was given by Mr. H. V. R. Iengar, Provincial Organiser, National War Front, to a representative of this paper.

Mr. Iengar said that they would approach their objective both by the orthodox as well as unorthodox methods. The co-operation of the press meant much to the National War Front. Leaders of some standing who wanted to carry the message of the Front would be given every facility. Meetings and lectures would be organised for them. By means of the radio and a special system of loudspeakers a large number of people would understand what part they had to play to win the war.

An important departure from the accepted methods would be in the harnessing of the stage and the screen for this purpose. Plays written by the common people and enacted in the simplest surroundings had played a very important role in the awakening of the national spirit in China. There was no reason why such a thing should not happen in India. If any cross-section of the Indian populace were taken, it yielded a tremendous amount of musical and dramatic talent. For want of encouragement much of it was dying out. The National War Front would give every reasonable assistance to such persons The Powadas, the Bhajans, folkore music and the drama could all be made to serve the cause of awakening the resistance and patriotism of the Indians.

The screen could also be used for the same purpose. Travelling cinemas could go round the villages and exhibit films which would combine entertainment and propaganda. While the main purpose was the arousing of the common people for war-resistance, the basis of such films could be improved methods of living or more scientific ways of agriculture.

Mr. Iengar thought that by mobilising the scatterred talent of the country they would be serving a double purpose. It would not only serve them in energising the common people but the talent so mobilised would not go to waste once the war was over. It might be the beginning of a renascence

The Half-Column By "Dim."

Back at the office table with a lot of things on my hands—and some on my chest. I see there have been appeals made to the Indian public to travel as little as possible in order that the transport of the more essential materials of war may not be delayed. Passengers are asked to make sacrifices. There is a scheme for converting restaurant cars into hospital coaches. All very good intentions. Yet when I return by the Jubbulpore Mail which left Calcutta on Saturday last, I found a whole berth in the air-condition coach wasted because a certain well-known Calcutta Englishman, who has "The Hon'ble" prefixed to his name has paid for two berths in a coupe although he has use for only one. He could afford the luxury. The gentleman in question was also a member of the Railway Board! At the same time a man who had been in action in the front line, had fought in Burma and walked back to India, sweated in a hot, dusty coach, because the air-conditioned coach was otherwise full. It is a great pity that some Englishmen in India have to be told and reminded that there is a war on and in this war their countrymen and others are fighting for their lives. The Railways must alter such rules as allow a rich man to occupy more space than he requires, though he can afford to pay for it. This matter must be thrashed out by Government or else some Indian member of the Assembly must vent it in the proper place at the proper time.

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Speaking about the conversion of restaurant cars into hospital coaches, what about the special coaches and special trains which lie for many months on some side-track until the Viceroy, a Governor or an Honourable Member needs it to uphold the prestige of his high and exalted office. To-day one's sense of moral values has greatly changed and it would be a greatly welcomed gesture, if, say, the Viceroy were to set an example by giving up his special train to be converted into a hospital train and announced this in the papers.

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So much for a start. I must not sprint too early in this hot weather.

VICEROY'S NEXT MOVE

Indianisation Of Council: Early Announcement Expected

KARACHI, May 20.

The view that the Viceroy will make an important move in the next few days by agreeing to complete the Indianisation of the Executive Council was expressed by Sardar Sant Singh, Leader of the Central Assembly Nationalist Party.

He said that an attempt would also be made to win over the minorities, but he could not say how far this gesture would meet the needs of the present grave situation.

Referring to Mr. Rajagopalachari's proposal for a Congress-League rapprochement, Sardar Sant Singh congratulated the Congress for repudiating his political theory which would have done incalculable harm to Hindus and Sikhs and the whole country generally.—A. P.

PEKING UNIVERSITY CHIEF DEAD

The former President of the Peking National University passed away near Chungking last Friday at the age of 61. In the early days of the Chinese republic, he was appointed the first President of the Peking University.—A. P.

CHARLIE CHAN — BLOW UP! — By ALFRED ANDRIOLA

YES, MR. GOODMAN IT'S CHARLIE CHAN, ALL RIGHT! HE'S BOARDING THE TRAIN!
CHARLIE CHAN? THE DETECTIVE? BY GEORGE, HAGAR, I'VE GOT A WONDERFUL IDEA!
OH, MR. CHAN! WOULD YOU PLEASE STEP IN HERE A MOMENT?
SOMETHING WHISPERS THIS IS FATEFUL SUMMONS!
BUT IN THE MEANTIME, IN FAR AWAY CENTROPOLIS, A FIREMAN THROWS A SCOOP OF DYNAMITE COAL INTO ONE OF GOODMAN'S BLAST FURNACES...
THERE SHE GOES!
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